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hind that cliche lay the cal-culations of government busi-ness managers that once the ness managers that once the questions for the referendums and details of how they will be conducted have been published many Labour MPs who are stubbornly refusing a commitment to support a guillotine on the Bill will feel that they are no longer justified in standing between the Scottish and Welsh people and their own chosen destiny.

Mr Foot and the government business managers have in mind two Commons days on the

two Commons days on the referendum section of the Bill; and everybody at Westminster takes for granted that, with that hurdle overcome, the Government will rush into a timetable motion. Nevertheless, the East motion. Nevertheless Mr Foot accepts that the introduction of the new material in the Bill commits him to extending the allotment of Commons time on the Bill from 30 days in all to 32 days. So far seven days have

been devoured, and only three

of 115 clauses have been

Mrs Thatcher will argue that the new material necessitates a second-reading debate, not least because its mere introduction belatedly by the Government indicates its constitutional and political importance. Next week, therefore, the Opposition will vote against the procedural motion to be moved by Mr Foot, unless he has a burst of non-partisan generosity and offers three days on referendums.

Mr Smith said in round words

last night that the vores of the Scottish and Welsh electorate in the referendums will be conclusive. If one country votes "Yes" and the other "No", the Government will accept the verdict as binding. The model for the referendums will be the EEC ballot, although there is no intention that the Government should ask the taxpayer to foot the bill for any devolution

campaigns.

Asked whether a "No" vote vo countries will by the Shetland Islands would allow the islanders to opt out of the devolved assembly for Scotland, Mr Smith grimly said nference in the that the national poll would be night "that is conclusive.

New clause, page 2

Callaghan appeals to **MPs** for support 1 appealed to the

art the Bill and future struggles

et this morning ir total support he said. "I put I they gave that

iual MP can of ideas about the als and clauses the Cabinet has the PLP for supeasure, which is n commitment." Labour back-t aside "idiosyn-

The Prime Minister inter-vened after Mr Foot had twice asserted that he had not entered into any deals or bargains on the Bill. He explained that after Mr Steel, the Liberal leader, had put forward five points on which Liberals sought concessions, he had met Mr Steel to tell him why those five points were not acceptable to the Government.

Mr Callaghan, evidently sensing some implied criticism of Mr Foot in the earlier part of the discussion, emphasized that no one in the PLP should think that Mr Foot was isolated. think that Mr Foot was isolated.

Backbench criticism, page 2

Bank takes action to halt interest rate slide

By John Whitmore Financial Correspondent

The cost of bank borrowing was cut by a further half percentage point yesterday; but the Bank of England took steps to ensure that the recent decline in the general level of interest rates is temporarily balead

The Bank, which announced that its own minimum lending rate was being reduced from 121 to 12 per cent, also said it was suspending, at least for the moment, the mechanism by which market forces determined the level of MIR.

In recent weeks these market forces have been driving down interest rates and condown interest rates, and con-sequently MLR, far more quickly than the authorities

In total, MLR has now come in total, MLR has now come down by 3 per cent from last October's crisis level of 15 per cent. But during January the pace of the fall accelerated sharply. Last Friday the rate was cut by a full percentage point, much against the Bank's will.

interest rates since the turn of the year has come about largely as a result of the suc-cessful underpinning of sterling foreign exchange markets. This made British interest

rates look far too high in com-parison with those overseas and, as Wednesday's official figures showed, large inflows of foreign funds into the country. The authorities, however, take the view that there are still sufficient potential problems ahead to make it desirable that interest rates fell only gradually. In particular, they are concerned about the continuing balance of payments deficit in the first half of the current year and the negotiations for the next round of pay policy.

policy.
What they do not wish to see is a repeat of last year's pattern. Then interest rates fell pattern. Then interest rates feil sharply early in the year and subsequently had to be lifted steeply at the end of the summer as the Government ran into fresh sterling problems and the funding of the Government's deficit came to a halt. What the Bank of England's decision means, in effect, is a return for the time being to the old Bank rate system by which the Bank specifies its minimum lending rate—the rediscount rate of the lender of last resort -rather than allow a rate to be forced upon it by market

Ahead of yesterday's announcement, the further fall markets had made it look inevitable that MLR would be forced down below 12 per cent this week, and it was this trend that forced the Rank to inter

Had MLR been forced down had MLR been forced down below the 12 per cent level, the clearing banks would almost certainly have cut their base lending rates by a full point. As it is, they have cut them from 13 to 121 per cent. This will mean overdraft costs of 131 per cent for blue chip industrial borrowers and, in most cases of 151 to 171 and 152 to 172 to in most cases, of 15; to 17; per cent for personal borrowers. At the same time, the banks announced that they were cut-9} to 9 per cent. This will be further good news for the build-ing societies, who have already received one useful boost this week from the fall in the interest rates being offered to investors by local authorities.

But it still seems unlikely that there will be an early cut

in mortgage rates. The building societies have not been attract-ing adequate funds from the public in recent months.

News of the Bank of
England's move sent share prices sharply into reverse. The PT index, which had been up 9.8 during the morning finished a net 0.1 lower on the day at 406. Gilts, too, fell on the news, have cell such that the news, here cell such that the news. but still ended the day with modest gains. MLR chart, page 24 Mr Crosland bends under Commons pressure raised the matter with Bots-wana three times since Tuesday. By Hugh Noyes Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

Yesterday's emergency debate on the 400 Rhodesian pupils removed from their mission school and taken into Botswana, appears to have had the effect of placing a stick of dynamite underneath Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs. Although Mr Crosland had

told the Commons that he was not prepared to make representations to anyone on this matter until he had discovered the correct version of what had happened; MPs were informed yesterday that representations yesterday that representations had in fact been made to Rotswana and also to the International Red Cross and to the British High Commissioner in

Intervening in the closing moments of the debate, Mr Crosland explained that the British High Commission had

head of state

Addis Ababa, Feb 3.—Briga-dier-General Teferi Bante, the

Ethiopian head of state, and six

other members of the ruling military council were executed today, Addis Ababa radio

The approuncement said the

even had been executed for

being connected with the underground Marxist group, the

Ethiopian People's Revolution-

It was made after the radio

had reported a coup attempt at the Grand Palace headquar-

ters of the military council,

known as the Dergue, here today. The council was said to have folled the attempt by

anti-Government and anti

The men executed were all understood to be members of

a newly-created executive com-

a newly-created executive com-mittee of the Dergue. They included Captain Alemayehu Haile and Captain Mogus Wolde-Michael, who, informed sources said, had engineered changes in the Dergue which had led to the effective demo-tion of Lieutenam-Colonel Men-

Although some shooting was

reported to have come from the area near the former Parliament

building and near the railway station, the mein clash obviously occurred within the Dergue headquarters.— Reuter and

gistu Haile Mariam.

Agence France-Presse.

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He had asked our mission in to enhance Mr Crosland's repu-tation and Conservative MPs Geneva to get in touch with the International Red Cross, and the British Government had now been told that the Red

programme for the people. Leading article, page 15. Report, page 10.

Parade of promises: This Delhi poster shows some of the 20 points that make up Mrs Gandhi's

to the children. Two parents had asked to go from Rhodesia to see their children, and the Botswana authorities said that if the parents persuaded them to go back to Rhodesia, no obstacle would be placed in their way. The Foreign Secretary told the House that if the abduction little would have been done but

theory was correct this was one of the most horrifying things have been done to children throughout history. But, he pointed out, the alternative version from Borswana was that repeated interrogations at the school by Rhodesian soldiers, had forced the children to form a committee. After further interrogations, they had decided to march across the border and, according to Botswana, the middent which has started up a hornets' nest of protest. As often happens on these occasions, this was the sort of debate that gives politicians a bad name. Good and evil depended very much on which

But the affair has done little

were quick to condemn him for his apparent lack of concern until spurred into action by Mr Ronald Bell, Tory MP for Beaconsfield, who asked for the emergency debate. There are conflicting views the Commons about Mr Bell and his motives, but there can be little doubt, if one is to take Mr Crosland at his word, that

for this cry to arms. In the words of Mr John Davies, from the Tory from bench, the Foreign Secretary's "serene, Olympian detach-ment" and his dismissal of this matter as just another border maident which has stirred up a horners' nest of protest.

side of the political fence the MP happened to be standing, and many of the arguments would have carried more weight if there had been condemnation of murders and atrocities on both sides of the Rhodesian

Intentionally or unintentionally, the fate of the 400 children was too often forgotten in the anxiety of MPs to widen the issue into a more general debate on the southern African situation. But, in the end, the Tory attack homed in on Mr

Defending the Foreign Secretary, Mr Rowlands, the Minister of State, said Sir Seretse Khama, President of Botswana, was one of Britain's oldest and most esteemed friends in Africa. He was sure he would do everything possible to satisfy world opinion that the welfare of the children had been prop-erly safeguarded.

Collusion suspected, page 8 Parliamentary report, page 4

Rugby ends fagging, but chores continue By Philip Howard Rugby is giving up fagging, thich is as startling a departure which is as starting a departure as if Burton-upon-Trent were to give up brewing, or the Quorn were to give up chasing foxes. Fagging, like flogging, has been fading away in most public schools over the past twenty years. At Eton it has ended in some houses and survives in others only as a corresponded others only as a ceremonia vestige. But for Rugby to abandon

fagging is news to make Old Brooke and Flashman turn in masterpiece made Rugby School under Dr Arnold an influential example for the rest of the public-school system, with its ideals of cold baths, Christianity, cricket and fagging. The was to make the boys "true gentlemen, of manly conduct and moral thoughtfulness". According to Hughes's life-like fiction in Tom Brown's School Days, fagging under Dr Arnold was an elaborate and laborious ritual. From supper until 9 o'clock three fags stood in the passages and answered any praepostor who called "Fag", racing to his study door, the last-comer having to

do the work.
That consisted generally of going to the buttery for beer and bread and cheese (" for the great men did not sup with the rest, but had each his own allowance in his study or the fifth-form room"), cleaning candlesticks and putting in new candles, toasting cheese, bottling beer and carrying messages about the house.

Besides that night work, each praepostor had three or four especially allotted to him, of whom he was supposed to be the guide, philosopher and In those stern old days of

stiff upper lips and loose lower jaws, fags were also expected to lay fires, cook breakfast, black boots, clean knives and forks and get up early to raise fishing lines which their fagmasters had left baited overnight

have grown progressively less arduous, and fagging confined to general tidying up. The dif-ficulty about ending fagging has always been that those who have served their turn as fags have been reluctant to give up their turn as masters.

Rugby School's magazine, Meteor, in its latest issue, says that fagging will have ended within a year. Paradoxically, however, the end of fagging in the public schools is not reducing the amount of housework tims. The shortage of domestic staff and the need to economize mean that all boys have to make beds, wash up, clean and do jobs undreamt of by those eager little conformists Tom Brown and Scud East.

James Slater cleared of misusing £4m

James Slater, aged 47, the financier, was cleared at Guildhali Justice-Room, London, yesterday on summonses under the Companies Act. The bench rejected a defence application for £3,000 costs.

Mr Slater, former chief of the Slater, Walker group, of Backhills, Esher, Surrey, Irad pleaded not gailty to misusing more than £4m by share deals in his own companies. He said afterwards: "I am happy. I would love a holicary and now I am free to take one." The dismissal of his applica-

tion for costs "reflected the fact that there were areas of criticism of the company Mr John Mathew, for the defence of Mr Slater, said the share transactions had been carried out openly on Mr Slater's orders in the interests of the group and its shareholders. Mr Keith Simpson, prose-

cuting for the Department of Trade, had said the Crown did not agree that the lending of money in the 15 summonses was in the ordinary course of the company's business. The merchant bank that financed the share deals was a wholly owned Slater, Walker Securi-ties subsidiary. Slater, Walker Securities owned Bion, a sharedealing company "and thus in effect bought shares in itself". Bion Securities was at all relevant times overdrawn. Last week Mr Slater was freed

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0.1 lower at 406.0. Financial Editor: Serck prepares to fight

Kenneth Owen
Eusiness Diary: Next moves for the new
president of the British Toy Manufacturers'.

after a 14-day hearing in which the Singapore Government sought his extradition. He said last night: "There are two areas in which I have been publicly criticized and my critics have been proved wrong.
The first hearing was obviously
an ordeal. Today's did not have
such an impact, although I was
concerned."

He had denied 15 summonses arising from a Department of Trade inquiry into the financial affairs of the Slater, Walker Group and its banking sub-sidiary, saved from collapse by a £40m Bank of England guaran-

The summouses, each carrying a maximum fine of £100, alleged that Mr Slater broke the Companies Act by financial aid to a related company. Sir Hugh Wontner, the chair-man, said: "We have reached the conclusion that the sum-monses should be dismissed." Mr Slater told reporters that he still owes £1m. Asked how he could meet his lawyers' bills, he said: "I have got good friends who happen to believe

in me."
Of his future, he said: "I think I can operate in business now with no harm to my reputation.
"I have made an arrangement with my creditors. They are prepared to wait for their able expectation of getting it back."

damage m nooksuob Bomb damage discovered at a London bookshop yesterday was

Fire-bomb

caused by two small incendiary devices, it was stated. The police suspect they were planted in the shop by terrorists last Friday. The devices were found at Claude Gill's, James Street, Ox-ford Street, close to the area

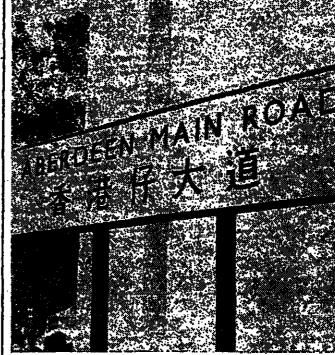
where 13 other bombs were placed in shops and employ-ment agencies in the West End. The police said they thought the incendiaries ignited last Saturday but remained undis-

covered until staff were moving box shelves yesterday. The devices caused little

Jubilee souvenir

The Times will mark the

Oueen's silver jubilee by publishing tomorrow a special souvenir celebrating, in words and pictures, a successful and popular reign, as well as the private woman behind the Monarchy, the equally successful wife and mother of four children.



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Commission has wel-viet Union's willingness fishing in EEC waters. have told the Foreign y are prepared to have British Government as e Council of Ministers Page 8

Investigation of riot prison allegations

Humberside police have begun to investigate allegations of assault made by more than 20 inmates of Hull prison after the rior there last summer. Further prisoners accounts of the incident, which have been received by The Times, endorse the allegations of brutality by prison officers published yesterday

Windscale strike

Fresh attempts will be made by management and unions to end the unofficial strike at the Windscale nuclear plant by 4,000 workers. The stoppage is said to be costing £14,000 stoppage is said to be coming a day alone in lost electricity revenue.

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Oman base denial

The Oman Government has denied persistent reports that the Americans will establish a military base on the island of Masira after British and Iranian forces withdraw in the spring. Two hundred RAF men will leave in Page 10

'Marxist bias' claim

Professor Julius Gould, a professor of sociology at Nottingham University, has criticized an Open University reading course for being so full of Marxist bias that it performs a disservice to the university and to its students

Unemployment in Germany soars 14%

Unemployment in West Germany soared by 14.6 per cent last month. The num-ber of unemployed at the end of James was 1,248,900, compared with 1,090,000 a month earlier. The unions federation reiterated demands for an increased public spending programme

Union leaders: "Frightening facts" about union leaders have been sent to Mr Callaghan by the Social Democratic Alliance, a right-wing Labour organiza-

Ulster murder: Several men were being questioned in Londonderry in connexion with the murder of Mr Jeffrey Agate, a leading Ulster busi-

Damascus: The Libyan Ambassador has been recalled amid reports that many Syrian workers have been deported from Libya Oxford: University is to be asked to allow its 21 single-sex undergraduate

students and fellows Korea: A six-page special report on the Republic of Korea

colleges to admit men and women as

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Police inquiry at council's Letters: On management and the Bullock Report, from Sir Derek Ezra, and others; on the preservation of Mentmore, from Mr John Barris Leading articles: Indian politics; Back to Bank rate; Hull prison rior works depot By Diana Geddes Features, pages 10 and 14 Paul Routledge sees state industries taking a lead in worker participation; David Spanier considers the moral aspects of foreign policy; Caroline Moorhead interviews the creator of Mary Poppins

Police officers and auditors are investigating allegations of "aregularities" by members of the staff employed at the Highgate works depot of the London borough of Haringer's direct-labour civil engineering department Tens of thousands of pounds are said to be involved. The council confirmed

yesterday that its chief auditor is carrying out an investigation. Scorland Yard said it is investigating allegations made against "certain employees at Haringey council". Twelve men employed at the

Highgate depot, which carries out sewerage and highways work, have made detailed state ments to the police about private building work being carried out in council time by council employees using council materials and equipment.

Cash flow benefits at Lourbo; The rival arguments over Golden Hope Business features: Patricia Tisdall on Jamaica's economic aspirations; The application of aerospace techniques to the offshore oil and gas industry is described by Kenneth Owen They have also alleged that members of staff have been booking workers in for overtime when no overtime work was done.

One of the workers at the

depot maintains that he was dismissed after going to the police. He has since been rein-stated, but has been suspended pending the outcome of the nvestigations. Another worker has asked to be suspended, and a third has asked to resign.

Police begin inquiry into alleged assault on inmates in the aftermath of Hull prison rioting

Humberside police have started to investigate allega-tions of assault made by more than 20 inmates of Hull prison in the aftermath of las: summer's riot Further prisoners' accounts of the incidents which have been received by The Times endorse the allegations of brutality by

prison officers at Hull published yesterday.

The police inquiry, led by Det Supt Ronald Sagar, will look into events immediately after the riot, and submit its findings to the Director of Public Prosecutions, Humberside police declined to specify beyond saying that they were "along the lines" of those puo-

lished in The Times. Hull inmates, some of them on prison lavatory paper, and smuggled out of various prisons in the past few weeks, kicked and beaten and jam consistently allege vengeance spread all over his face." and physical violence on the part of prison officers at Hull man's surrender during the riot

connexion with the bomb

attacks before the Balcombe

Street siege in 1975, a senior

detective said at the Central

exploded bombs, on cars used

coaches at bridge

Three boys aged 14 who

damaged coaches carrying foot-

ball supporters were sent to a

detention centre for three

months by Manchester Juvenile

Mr John Bright, the chairman, told them: "You are

fortunate not to be facing

charges of murder or man-

slaughter. Our only regret is that we cannot impose a more

serious penalty for this dreadful

Mr Charles Ingham, for the prosecution, said the boys, all Manchester City supporters, twice "bombed" coaches

carrying Manchester United

supporters with concrete and bricks from a bridge over the

M56. Twelve coaches

Orkney protests

Protests and petitions have been sent to the Orkney Islands Council over effects of

possible uranium mining in the

A march is planned for Tues-

day, when the council's plan-ning committee will again dis-

cuss an electricity board appli-cation to sink test bore holes

in the area of Stromness and

Rates going up-

A 7 per cent increase on Lancashire County Council's rate precept, raising it to 58p in the pound, was recommended

by the county finance committee

But at Corby, Northampton-

shire, the policy and resources

committee recommended a 1p reduction, bringing the rates down to 19.31p in the pound.

fighter began in the Channel yesterday (our Air Correspon-

Four Harriers were embarked

in the anti-submarine aircraft carrier Hermes. During the

next seven days the ability of

the aircraft to operate from a pitching and rolling flight deck will be tested.

Former student

Ten years for

west coast area.

and down

yesterday.

Panel yesterday.

outrage.

Det Chief Superintendent

William Hucklesby sold their fingerprints were found on unexploded however on carry wed-

in the attacks and in six "safe houses" used by the Provisional IRA.

know that we have this evidence available and this might embarrass our inquiries."

He added: "The fingerprints Mr Hucklesby was being ques-do not belong to any of the tioned on the ninth day of the

Criminal Court yesterday.

after the riot. They describe on the understanding that he attacks on prisoners, destruction of their personal possessions and wilful adulteration of come down', said the pigs. They food and drink given to them. One inmate writes of the morning after the riot ended: I was made to run a gauntlet of prison officers and was assaulted by six or seven dif-

Another says: " As each man was unlocked one at a time for breakfast, 40 to 50 screws [prison officers] were lining the landings kicking, spitting, rubbing jam in a man's face."

A third man alleges that he he nature of the allegations, eyond saying that shey were along the lines" of those pubshed in The Times.

Reports written by 10 former fison lavatory paper, and must be alleged out of trainer.

A third man alleges that he heard screams, blows and the goading of prisoners by officers. "They said: 'Kiss my shoes', 'Call me sir', 'Don't mark his face'. I watched through my door and saw one mand decorated that they have decorated the same decorated that he heard screams, blows and the goading of prisoners by officers. "They said: 'Kiss my shoes', 'Call me sir', 'Don't mark his face'. I watched through my door and saw one man dragged out of his cell all

Siege bombers still being sought

Suspected terrorists are still four accused. They are wanted trial in which four men are on the police "wanted list" in people and we are waiting for accused on 25 charges, includ-

them to turn up."

Mr Hucklesby, with the permission of Mr Justice Cantley, declined to answer in detail

questions put by the defence about the "other fingerprints", because he did not want the

who committed the offences will

Boys bombarded | Wage differentials in Civil

Lord Boyle, of Handsworth,

yesterday told the general sub-

Select Committee on Expendi-

Whitehall, that it would be pos-

sible to distinguish between

devolution Bill last night, Mc

Norman Buchan, MP for Renfrewshire, West, warned Mr Callaghan and other ministers

present that he would do all that he could to defeat the

Government on the proposition

that only one question should

be put to the people in Scotland and Wales.

and wates.

He said he was profoundly disappointed by the Government's decision. In addition to the question the Government proposed he wanted another asking: "Do you want an independent Scotland?"

Mr Bruce Douglas-Mann (Mercon, Mitcham and Morden)

said he thought there should be three questions: one on acceptance of the Bill, one on

independence, and another ask-ing if people wanted to pre-

serve the status quo.

Mr Abse (Pontypool), who has been a persistent critic of

By Peter Hennessy

is lifted.

over mining plan | Labour Party discussed the referendum amendments to the

set some dogs loose on him. I believe he is in a hell of a mess." Another says: "When he reached the ground they released the dogs. Consequently

he was badly savaged." ferent officers. I was effectively prevented from taking break-fast; this was knocked from my of food and drink. "A screw opened my door and gave me a cup of tea", one man says. "I went to drink it and realized it had urine in it. I could smell One taste was enough to know how low they had gone to get their revenge." Another writes: "Our food was soaked in urine. There is no way these

The Hull branch of the Prison Officers' Association Jast night welcomed the police investigation. Mr Denis Freeman, its local representative, said: "We are very pleased about it. We have nothing Leading article, page 15

ing seven murders, a series of bomb attacks, shootings and kidnapping in the Balcombe

Street siege.
The four, Martin Joseph
O'Connell, aged 25, of Ennis;
Edward Butler, aged 28, of
Limerick; Henry Duggan, aged

24 of Feakle, co Clare; and Hugh Doherty, aged 26, of Glasgow, have refused to plead.

Formal pleas of not guilty have

Mr Hucklesby was tendered

as a witness by the Crown at the request of the defence.

been entered.

There has always been an overlap between building society and local authority lending, and their share of the total housing-finance market varies according to the availability of funds. In 1974 and 1975, when council coffers were awash with funds, local authority loans jumped to 13 and 11 per cent of the total (reaching a peak of 18 per cent in the first quarter of 1975). In 1976, however, local authority lending shrank to 2 per cent of all home loans, while building society advances accounted for 95 per cent. The

routes from Monday. That will make a total of 46.

balanced

societies

By Margaret Stone

by building

Cuts in home-loan lending

since 1975 have almost been

made up by increased building

society activity in the sector of

the housing market associated

Using pre-1919 houses as the

yardstick, the latest Facts and Figures, the bulletin of the Building Societies Association,

hows that despite a cut of

Building societies were asked

by the Government to help buyers who would usually apply for local authority

finance, and during the year

fisher, and during the year fisher, was lent to people nominated by local authorities. There was also much more lending outside the formal

scheme.

down by only 4 per cent.

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balance of 3 per cent was pro-vided by insurance companies. More 125 mph trains Western Region is to increase by eight the number of 125 mph Inter City trains on the London corporate state" to Bristol and South Wales

Union leaders accused of

pro-Soviet sympathies

Cut in loans | Irish stake claim to Rockall area to Dublin over claims made by the Irish Republic in formal barren rock by helicopter, understood to be the reason economic designations yester-raised the Union Jack and why Mr Justin Keating, Minisday to the area around the declared Rockall the property ter for Industry and North Atlantic island of Rock-

> lrish coast and 300 miles off as British.
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> Scotland, goes back more than twenty years and involves of greater urgency because and Denmark over fishing 125,000 square miles of sea. exploration of the seas in rights. The Danes do not distribute the seas in the dates. claims to areas of the conrich in oil.

Servicemen landed of the Crown. More recently The dispute over the island, porated into two blocks of which is 230 miles from the seabed designated by London lrish cores and 200 miles from the seabed designated by London

The Irish move comes after volved is likely to be increased allegations that Britain has this year. The claim and counacted prematurely in staking terclaim may go eventually to an independent arbitrator or to tinental shelf that might prove the International Court of Justice in The Hague.

on the early arbitration, and that is Commerce, made formal orders vesterday concerning the republic's claim to the disputed areas.

> pute British sovereignty but delivered a note of protest last week against Britain's plan to use the island as a base point for drawing its 200-mile fishing

on sewa; A plan to pump from Weymouth and Portland, in Dorse sea is to go ahead strong local refere against it. The Wessex Wate.

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Informer ir pornograpl case jailed

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Mr Nichols, of Fe Hampstead, Londor invaluable informati rives carrying our widespread "ant campaign" ever n London, Mr Mont borne, his counsel, Central Criminal Cc Mr Nichols also hi

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Mr Paul Purvis

Print leader voices pay discontent By Our Labour Editor

Mr William Keys, general secretary of the Society of Gra-phical and Allied Trades and a member of the TUC General Council, warned the Government yesterday of a "rising sea of discontent" over the social contract and wage restraint. The efforts of unionists to reduce inflation had been dissipated by the lack of pos-itive Cabinet policy, he said. Writing in his union journal, Mr Keys says:

"I accept that we cannot pay ourselves more than we earn, but why maintain the attack on inflation by asking only the worker to find the answer?"

He asked why the Government had not been much firmer on the application of price control.

Further backing: Mr Moss Evans, national organizer of the Transport and General Workers' Union, and Mr John Cousins, industrial relations director at the National Economic Development Office, both of whom are contenders for the post of general secretary of the TGWU on Mr Jack Jones's forthcoming retirement, said last night that they wanted a return to free collective bargaining (the Press Association reports).

Mr Evans, who is favoured in the contest, said in Leeds that he believed that the Chancellor would accept a return to such in an orderly way to avoid throwing away the sacrifices of the past two years. He expected the annual conference of his union in July to vote for

Mr Cousins told a union branch meeting at Heathrow that union leaders negotiating another round of wage restraint would not have the support of

No threat to Edinburgh The reallocation of a tenth of Edinburgh's hospital beds

for acute cases to geriatric use to be of good behavill not create redundancies or threaten the circle role as threaten the city's role as a medical training centre, Mr Ewing, Under - Secretary of State, Scottish Office, says.

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Mr Paul Purvis, aged Chief Executive of N District Council, was n

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three quarters in that area by local authorities last year total lending on such houses was Tories reject union seats in board room

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Mr James Prior, Conservative frontbench spokesman on employment, last night rejected the Bullock proposals for trade union directors in industry, but proposed to the Prime Minister a "basis for consent" on industrial democracy that might involve legislation on company

In the first of a number of Tory policy speeches on workerparticipation in industry, he dismissed the majority report of the Bullock committee "signed by left-wing academics and pro-TUC-line trade unionists" with the warning: "We will oppose any attempt by the Government to legislate on that basis."

He said that to implement the proposal for electing unionists to the boards of Britain's top 738 companies employing more than two thousand workers would severely disrupt not only the investment essential to the nation's economic recovery, but it would make company board rooms "the new frontier of the

Mr Prior told the Institute of British Carriage and Auto-mobile Manufacturers at Sutton

Jones leader of the Transport and General Workers' Union

and one of the foremost sup-

porters of the Government's

Coldifield that if the real difficulties of British industry were identified, then, against all the odds, something of immense benefit might be gained from the Bullock inquiry. Quoting the Government against itself, he recalled the

words of Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, who said than whatever proposals the Government brought forward must be compatible with improved industrial relations, the efficient management of companies and an increasing level of investment of risk capital.

"I am willing to accept those words as a basis for us all to work from". Mr Prior said. "I offer this as a basis for the talks they are commencing with interested parties."

The opportunity the Bullock report afforded for an open and thorough debate on improving industrial relations ought not to

He said the unions were concerned that the making of some important decisions in industry appeared to be slipping beyond their grasp. "That union concern must be taken into

Mr Agee may take High Court action

By Stewart Tendler Mr Philip Agee, the former CIA agent, is considering action in the High Court to force the Home Secretary to provide details of the allegations for which he faces deportation.

The action would also stop

any moves to deport him should Mr Rees decide to follow up his notice of intention to deport with a deporta-tion order. Yesterday, as Mr Agee presented a number of witnesses to a Home Office advisory committee reviewing his case, legal advisers said counsel would be consulted about the action next week. Mr Agee faces deportation for reasons of national security

but he has been given only broad allegations. It may be possible to apply for a writ of certiorari alleging that Mr Rees has failed to give sufficient devaluations of sufficient devaluations of sufficient devaluations. John Meadows, aged 22, a as Home Secretary in 1971.

He said: "Here is England, with the most visionary and articulate spokesmen of freedom in the past, and you find an utterly lawless proceeding." Mr Clark said the proceedings under the Immigration Act,

on transport flask trace Radioactive contamination The contamina found on an empty 15-ton flask found on the three transported from Windscale to bolts when the flask

New clause and schedule to devolution Bill

Mr Abse (Portypool), who could very well be many "Scotland is British" camthe Bill, supported the Government's decision. He said that would be surprised if there the policy of the Scottish TUC

The new clause, schedule and appendices to the Scotland and Wales Bill, which are to be offered by the Government to the Commons next Thursday, reading part:

Newclause: Before an order is made under section 114 of this Act there shall be held: (a) a referendum, would be entitled to vote as elections at a parliamentary election in any constituency in shall apply in relation to at that date would be entitled to vote as election in any electoral that date would be entitled to vote as election in any electoral that date would be entitled to vote as election in any electoral that date would be entitled to vote as election in any electoral that date would be entitled to vote as electors at a local government within the meaming of the government of Scotland.

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The Secretary of Scate shall robbers Lord Wheatley, the Lord Justice Clerk, in the High Court in Edinburgh, yesterday sentenced two unemployed men to 10 years' imprisonment each.
Robert Sutherland, aged 21, of Egilsay Street, and John Fleming, also aged 21, of Cathay Street, both 'Milton, Glasgow, admitted assaulting two women in a Glasgow general store and robbing them at gunpoint of £1,700. in Edinburgh, yesterday sen

Harrier starts majority of the valid votes cast in sea trials If the decisions on the referen-Sea trials towards the introduction by the Royal Navy of the Hawker Siddeley Harrier vertical take-off and landing

If the decisions on the referendums are that no effect is to be given to the provisions of this Act, this Act (except this section and that schedule) shall not take effect; and if the decisions are that effect is to be given to those provisions so far only as they relate to the government of Scotland or of Wales an order under section 114 of this Act shall not be made so as to give effect to them also so far as they relate to the government of the other of those countries, and her Majesty may by Order in Council make such amendments to this Act (including amendments to this Act (including ballot papers counted by him and amendments to the title and short title) as appear to her necessary or expedient as the result of the Counting Officer for Scotland decisions.

Those entitled to vote in the papers and respective answers for papers and respective answers for

An Order in Council under this schedule shall not charge any sum on the Consolidated Fund but may provide for the expenses of the returning officers to be defrayed as administrative expenses of the Secretary of State.

Secretary of State.

The Secretary of State shall appoint a Chief Counting Officer for Scotland and a Chief Counting Officer for Wales and (a) the Chief Counting Officer for Wales and (a) the Chief Counting Officer for each region and islands area; and (b) the Chief Counting Officer for each counting Officer for each counting Officer for wales shall appoint a counting officer for each counting officer for each counting officer shall conduct the counting of votes cast in the area for which he is appointed in accordance with any directions given to him by the chief counting officer.

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Former student

leader jailed

Christopher Ford, aged 25, of Priory Crescent. Southend Essex, was sentenced at Southend Crown Court vesterday to nine months' imprisonment for obtaining £350 by forgery.

The prosecution said Mr. Ford, a former students' union leader at Southend College, had drawn £350 from union branch funds for his own use after forging a mandate.

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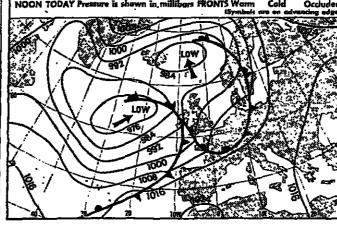
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that Act.
Exclusion of legal proceedings:
No court shall entertain any
proceedings for questioning the
numbers, as certified by a chief
counting officer or counting
officer, of any ballot papers counted or answers given in either
referendum.

Put a cross (X) in the appropriate box: Yes APPENDIX 2

children sit more than eight subjects in the GCE or CSE examination will have to pay £2.75 for each extra O level or £3.75 for a CSE subject. The county education committee has told headmasters to enforce the rule for this summer's examina-Mr Tecwyn Ellis, director of

Weather forecast and recordings



Today 4.55 pm Moon sets : Moon rises : 7.12 am 5.49 pm Moon sets: Moon rises:
7.12 am 5.49 pm
Full Moon: 3.56 am
Lighting up: 5.25 pm to 7.3 am
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am, 6.9m (22.7ft); 2.9 pm, 7.1m
(23.2ft). Avonmouth, 7.15 am,
12.9m (42.5ft); 7.41 pm, 13.1m
(43.0ft). Dover, 11.8 am, 6.5m
(21.2ft); 11.31 pm, 6.7m (22.0ft).
Hull, 6.25 am, 7.0m (22.9ft);
6.29 pm, 7.3m (23.9ft). Liverpool,
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A SW airstream will cover the Bridsh Isles with troughs of low

fresh or strong, perhaps gale later; max temp 7°C (45°F). Central, NW England, Midlands.
Lake District: Mainly dry with
bright intervals at first, becoming
cloudier with rain from W, heavy
in places, hill fog; wind SW,
moderate, becoming S, strong or
gale; max temp 9°C (48°F). gale; max temp 9°C (48°F).
Channel Islands, SW England,
Wales: Cloudy, rain from W,
heavy in places, extensive hill fog
and coastal fog, showery later;
wind S, fresh or strong, gale in
places, veering SW later; max
temp 10° or 11°C (50° to 52°F). Isle of Man, N Ireland: Cloudy, rain from W, heavy in places, extensive hill fog and patchy coastal fog, showery later; wind SE, strong or gale, veering SW later; max temp 8°C (46°F).

pressure crossing most parts from W.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
Loadon, East Anglia, E, SE, NE England: Dry with sunny intervals at first, becoming cloudy with rain later, perhaps heavy; wind SW, moderate or fresh, becoming S, strong later; max temp 7°C weathers.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair ; r, rain ; s, sun ; sh, showers ; sn, snow.





SW. NW Scotland, Central Highlands, Argy dry with bright spells, rain spreading from W.L. at times, extensive bill SW. moderate, becarrong, perhaps gale; 7°C (45°F). Outlook for the Changeable, showers or i breaks of rain, becoming Sea passages: S N Strait of Dover, Englis-(E): Wind SW, strong gate later; sea rough, high.

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Service to be examined The possibility of introducat under-secretary level where posts now carry an identical salary of £12,000. "But if you decide that some ing pay differentials to reflect individual merit among senior

civil servants will be examined under-secretary jobs are less important than others, it could be a self-fulfilling prophecy and by the Top Salaries Review Body when suspension of its less good work will be done", work because of income policy

chairman of the review body, committee of the Commons ture, which is investigating

Referendums criticized by backbenchers

By Our Political Correspondent whatever question was devised were not. But the Government the nationalists would say it having made its arguments in favour of one question, would the perferendum amendments to the control of the con

One blast of condemnation

came from Mr Kenneth Lomas (Huddersfield, West), who said that the whole Bill was "dan-

gerous nonsense" and was cer-

tainly not wanted by the people in his constituency.

Mr Foot, Leader of the House, replied that the Gov-

ernment had decided to have

on the voting form, in his view,

would fortify those who believed in retaining the unity of the United Kingdom. He was not disturbed by Mr Buchan's statement. There

only one question after listen-

bride) said there were political emerged as the final decision issues in Scotland that had to of the House. "If the House

be settled: he believed that comes to the conclusion that there ought to be a second question, well, so be it", Mr Foot

ing to the views of the parliamentary party a formight ago.

The preamble to the question burgh, Falkirk, Fife and the

The Social Democratic Alli- munist Morning Star, Mr Jack ance, a right-wing Labour organization, set out vesterday demonstrate that British

He said he had grave doubts about special ex-gratia payments for outstanding services.
Mr Gordon Burrett, deputy
secretary at the Civil Service Department responsible for pay, said the need for economy prevented examination of a system of payment on merit

union leaders have "totalitarian and indeed pro-Soviet sym-In a document headed "Forty frightening facts about our trade union leaders", which it has sent to the Prime Minister, the SDA says that 16 of the 39 members of the TUC actively

tion, well, so be it", Mr Foot said.

Union opposition: One of the

largest Scottish divisions of the

Amalgamated Union of Engi-

neering Workers has voted

against the Government's devo-

lution proposals (Ronald Faux

writes). A resolution urging the

Government to withdraw the

Bill has been sent to the union's

division which covers Edin-burgh, Falkirk, Fife and the Borders and represents about

twenty-five thousand workers.

The resolution was passed unanimously. With it to the national committee went a letter praising the efforts of the

"Scotland is British" cam-

pursue associations with com-munist organizations: "and some of them have even openly praised the Soviet system". It's evidence ranges from visits to Russia and East Europe

social contract, is singled out.
"Mr Jones is a careful, intelligent dedicated opponent of our Western parliamentary democracy", the SDA says.
"We also find his actions and statements with regard to the Soviet Union extremely disquieting." quieting.". The document refers to TUC hospitality last year for Mr Boris Ponomarev "the Stalinist mass-murderer" and the 1975 visit of Mr Shelepin, former head of the KGB.

wins appeal for damages former scout, who severely the committee yesterday was Mr

Former scout

injured an arm while playing Ramsey Clark, the former a game of "argy-bargy" eight United States Attorney General. years ago, has won his claim for He told a press conference that damages against the Scout Asso he thought the issues involved ciation and four leaders of a in Mr Agee's case were nor national security but freedom The Court of Appeal allowed thought. local troop.

an appeal by Mr Meadows, of Hicks Farm Rise Micklefield, High Wycombe, Buckingham-shire, against a High Court judge's ruling that the troop leaders had not been negligent. The court said that damages must be assessed by another

The Scout Association has agreed to indemnify the troop leaders, from the 4th High Wycombe troop.

Jail sentences suspended

Sentences of one month's imprisonment concurrent on charges of assaulting a police officer and using threatening behaviour imposed on William Dolan, aged 32, unemployed of Eddierton Place, Glasgow, by of Eddlerton Flate, Glasson, of Hendon magistrates were suspended at Middlesex Crown Court yesterday for two years. He was ordered to pay a fine of £50 on each charge.

Mr Dolan unsuccessfully appealed against his conviction on the charges, which arose over a protest march.

Fee imposed for extra O levels Parents in Gwynedd whose

Mr Tecwyn Ellis, director of education, said yesterday that examination fees to the Welsh joint education committee had doubled in three years to £100,000. The new system should save £5,000 a year.

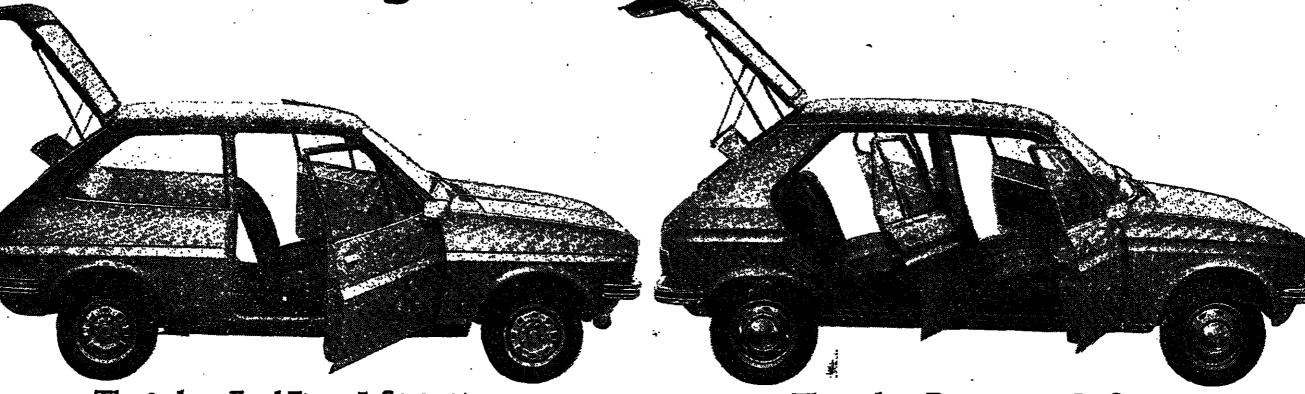
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Preventing 'trench warfare' on report

The Prime Minister said he was doing his best to prevent "a period of trench warfare" between the two sides of industry over the Bullock Commission recommendations on industrial democracy.

Reporting on yesterday's meeting of the National Economic Development Council, at which he took the chair, Mir Callagham (Cardiff, South-East, Lab) said representatives from the trade unions, management and Government realifimed their commitment to the industrial strategy and to the industrial strategy and reviewed the valuable reports of the sector working parties.

There was agreement on the next steps to be taken and on the need for action at company level, in-cluding the implications for investment, manpower, finance, product development and marketing. Discussions also covered other mat-ters, including prospects for employment and economic growth. The Government undertook to lock into a number of points raised lock into a number of points raised by the trade union representatives about manpower training.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Teesside, Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Teessde, Thornaby, Lab)—Although things are looking better, with the interest rate coming down, the pound strong and the industrial strategy on course, would the Prime Minister agree that it would be wrong for people's expectations to be raised too high too soon? (Conservative laughter.)
Is it not clear there will be a need for a further period of restraint and that the decay of a decade in industry cannot be cleared up in minutes?

Mr Callaghan-That is a fair way of putting the proposition. It is one which the Opposition in their rational moments support. They believe it is going to take a considerable time to repair the ravages of the last decade. Sterling is now more stable and looks like continu-

ing to be so.

A more important problem is to examine ways of getting the restructuring of industry right and making certain the sector working parties reports are translated into

Mrs Barbara Castle (Blackburn, Lab)—There is a considerable amount of consensus in private industry over the industrial stra-tegy. Can he tell us why there are yet no planning agreements? Mr Callaghan—To tell you the truth I cannot. It is beginning to get home to industry that they have made a political bogy of this when many of the things that are being discussed by the sector working parties—the implications for industry, finance and product development—are exactly the things that a planning agreement will be about.

This is beginning to get home. I made the point strongly at Neddy vesterday.

Mr Bavid Crouch (Canterbury, C)—Can he give encouragement to the nation that he is going to prevent the two sides of industry entering into a period of trench warfare over industrial democ-

Mr Callaghan—I think the House knows my autitude on this. I am doing my best to prevent a period of trench warfare in this area. The regeneration of industry can only be achieved by cooperation. It is in the limited spheres where men are working together in their own in-dustries that we are beginning to see this happen.

I shall continue along these lines and will do my best to ensure that in those areas of common interest there is a consensus wherever I can

Magistrates not using all their powers to deal with vandals

when there are so many unem

Mr Rees-The numbers are going

forces are being allowed to recruit

No statement from the House of

Commons will help at all. What does happen is that when we talk about it in the Commons, then in

the days that follow vandalism

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-

West, Lab)—While he may say what he did in all sincerity I can

what he did in all sincerity I can give him letters from constituents who proclaim and claim, and we know it is true, that they cannot and dare not walk out in certain streets, certainly in Newham, not only at night but in the daytime as well.

Will Mr Rees try to do some-thing about it because it is getting

to the stage that not only are the

old people afraid but young women as well to travel some inner city

Mr Rees-That is correct There

Air Rees—That is correct. There are certain areas with real problems. But that is not what I was replying to the assertion about Britain as a whole. Of course there are areas where there is a problem and it will have to be dealt with locally.

to be dealt with locally.

Mr Michael Alison, an Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Barkston Ash, C)—Is he aware his standing committee's report on vandalism makes the point that there are already adequate powers for imposing substantial lines for vandalism, including fining parents and guardians?

The trouble is they are not ever, as exercise enough, applied by

or severely enough, applied by magistrates. Will he ask the Lord

Chancellor to write to the magis-tracy to ask them to take another look at the levels of fines they are imposing to deal with vandalism?

Mr Rees-He is right. The fines,

and we have raised them, in cer-tain cases, are payable by parents under certain aspects of the law.

But I cannot be responsible for the

magistrates, but everybody in the country is aware of what is required and I shall have a word with the Lord Chancellor.

The right of entry of male fiances from the Commonwealth ought to be stopped immediately, partly in the interests of Asian girls brought up here who find themselves forced into arranged marriages, but mostly in the interests of all the people of this country, to improve race relations by restricting immigration.

Mr Rees-The change was made by

try predecessor. The numbers have gone up in this respect. Mr Budgen is saying that because whomen who come in in this way are protected by law, unlike men, we should deal specifically with it in this way.

That is not the way I think we should proceed but I am looking at the question of abuses which goes

right across the board. I have found significant abuses, not just by Commonwealth citizens but on

by restricting immigration.

and more each month but in con-taining growing violence against the person and vandalism it was not the question of more police. That was a deep-seated malaise and problem of modern life which would have to be dealt with locally Mr Rees.—The numbers are going up and up every month. There are more than 2,000 extra police in the inner city areas. I sought in the debate the other day not to make any parrow party political advantage out of it, but we are spending an extra quarter of a billion pounds, there are more police, and forces are being allowed to recruit and the position would not be helped by statements from him. Mr Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary,

said.

He agreed that magistrates appeared not to be using the powers they had to deal with offenders and he would take up the matter with the Lord Chancellor. Mr Robin Hodgson (Walsall, North, C) had asked what plans the Government intended to produce to reduce levels of vandalism to property and violence against the person, especially in towns and built-up areas.

Mr Rees (Leeds, South, Lab)-1 have had preliminary discussions with chief officers of police, who I know give as much priority as they can to tackling vandalism in conjunction with local individuals and organizations. I am also planning with my col-

leagues a wider conference to see whether there is any further serion The Criminal Law Bill, now in The Criminal Law Bill, now in the Lords, proposes substantial increases in the maximum fines and amounts of compensation which offenders may be ordered by magistrates' courts to pay for offences of vandalism.

Mr Hodgson-Is he aware there are more than 100 crimes commit-ted against the person every week in the West Midlands and because the force in that area is 11 per cent under strength people in areas like Stechford are afraid to walk the

Mir Rees—I think that sort of state-ment, because it is linked to a by-election, makes nonsense of his by-election, makes nonsense of his question. People are not afraid to walk the streets of Britain. The numbers of police officers are increasing all the time and a quarter of a billion pounds more are being spent by this Government on law and order. The police forces will know what

to make of his remarks, which are made for political advantage. They are no use to me in my fight for law and order.

Mr Peter Bottomley (Greenwich, Woolwich, West, C)—Why are the police forces so undermanned

Mr Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary.

(Leeds, South, Lab), is to come to

the Commons shortly with propo-

sals to stop abuses in the immigra-

tion of fiancés to Britain from

Mr Nicholas Budgen (Wolver-

hampton, South-West, C) asked if the Home Secretary had any plans to restrict the number of male

fiances from Commonwealth or former Commonwealth countries entering the United Kingdom.

Mr Rees-I am auxious to prevent

abuse of the entitlement, not only by people from Commonwealth countries but by those from other parts of the world.

Immigration of fiancés:

moves to stop abuses

Noisy clash over entry of refugees from Chile

During noisy exchanges during question on the admission question on the admission of Chilean refugees, Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said that Labour MPs were concerned with democracy in every part of the world and they were sick and fired of being subject to barrages by people making animal noises.

Mrs Mille Miller (Redbridge, liford, North, Lab) had asked what was the present position of the

was the present position of the admission of Chilean refugees to this country and what period elapsed before an individual was cleared for entry

Dr Shirley Summerskill, Under Secretary, Home Office (Halifax, Lab)—Up to and including January 31, 1977, 1,873 persons are known to have arrived. The period which clapses between application and clearance for entry varies from case to case.

Mrs Miller—There is considerable Mrs Miller-There is considerable

concern about the time the Home

concern about the time the Home Secretary has taken in each case and an allegation that the chief adjudicator dealing x-irit this case has made a statement that he is not inclined to admit supporters of the former Allende regime.

Dr Summerskill—The Home Secretary is aware of the concern about delays in entry. He has met interested bodies and is going to examine the procedures. The adjudicators are appointed by the Home Secretary. They are not answerable to him for the way in which they carry out their duties.

Under the Tribunals and inquiries Act, 1971, adjudicators operate under the general provision of the Council on Tribunals. The remarks of Mrs Miller and the reaction of other Labour MPs will be noted. Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough, Lab)—There is demoralization in the Chilean community in this country about the slowness of the visas compared with some months ago and that the

munity in this country about the slowness of the visas compared with some months ago and that the chief adjudicator and in particular the Glasgow adjudicator have called members of the socialist party of Chile communist agitators. (Conservative interruptions.)

I hope the Home Secretary will listen to who is saying those things on the Conservative benches. They said they are communist agitators said they are communist agitators and use this deep political bias as a reason for not accepting into this country honest political refugees from the fascist Government of

Mr Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said on every occasion when Chie is mentioned we get jeers and catcalls from Conserva-tives which indicate they are totally fascist in their attitude. There were more Conservative interruptions.

Mr Hefter—I will thump you one day. I am asking for the Speaker's protection. (Conservative laughter) It is not a joke. This Moves to a democratic institution

House is a democratic institution.
We are concerned, even if Conservative MPs are not, with semocracy in every part of the world—Russia, Chile and everywhere clse.
We are sick and tired of being subject to harrages by needle make. subject to barrages by people making animal noises
The Speaker—From time to time
there are shouts from both sides and issues on which people feel

or Summerskill—The nature of immigration control into this country is different from that in most other countries in that we rely on control at entry and not after entry. Under our process, which Labour MPs would prefer, people are certain of their status when they enter the country.

Mr Budgen—Statistics from the Home Office show that between the first quarter of 1975 and the first quarter of 1976 the number of a larger scale from other parts of immigrants from Commonwealth the world.

1 hope to come to the House with steps to deal with it shortly.

Tory anger at proposal for debate next week on referendum plans

land and Wales Bill would be tabled later today following widespread requests for the Government to make known their proposals as early as possible for the holding of referendums, Mr stage. Michael Foot, Leader of the House and Lord President of the Council, said after he had announced the

business for next week.

He said: We shall also table a procedural motion which, if agreed to, will allow the relevant clauses and schedules to be considered in advance of their natural order in the Bill, starting on Thursday cext week. I have deliberately put the committee stage back one day to Thursday to give MPs the oppor-tunity to consider our referentian proposals and table amendments if

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition (Barner, Finchley, C)—What Mr Foot I've just announced, with no notice, will give rise to great alarm on this side of the House, and creat disacreement, (Labour protests.) It is quite wrong to expect clauses on a referendum, not yet vebled, to be discussed next Thursday. Ciauses on referendums are equal to a new Bill. (Conservative cheers.)

A referendum will need to be carefully considered in demil. I do not quite understand why Mr Foot is less anxious than he was last week to make progress with the Bill in the usual way. He will receive the maximum amount of opposition if he wishes to continue with his intention of trying to debate the referendum clauses next

Mr Foot—I am surprised at her taking that attitude. (Labour shouts of "We are not".) If she had been in the House during these

Early release

ruled out for

Miss Hindley

on licence. There is certainly no prospect of any early release of Miss Hindley.

Next week

Relevant amendments to the Scot- there have been requests from all sections of the House that we should have these clauses on the referendums tabled early. There have been requests from MPs on all sides that we should table and discuss these matters at an early

On consideration, Mrs Thatcher and the House as a whole will see that what we have proposed is for the convenience of the House, and I hope it is in that spirit that we will proceed.

Mrs Thatcher-I was in the House to hear Mr Foot's disgraceful performance this week. (Conservative cheers.) What he is proposing is totally unreasonable. Everyone wants to see the clauses, and wants them tabled, but they should be taken in the proper order when we have much more idea of what the BILL will contain by the time it comes to considering the referen-Mr Foot-Not only have there been requests that we should debate these clauses early and dis-

cuss them from all sides of the House, but we have also had requests from all sections at the beginning of our proceedings that the Government should have been prepared to alter the nurmal order have these clauses brought forward for early discussion.

I am sure when she studies the matter she will see there has been an urgent response and it is in

ing the pace? Is it too dizzy for him? For those of us who want to make progress, to cut back to one day, rather than the customary two, is an appealing form of delaying tactic by Mr Foot. (Laughter.) Mr Foot—I am sorry Mr Thorpe should be so disappointed. He knows how much we seek to do our best to ease these matters. If

anybody has been made dizzy, it is not Mr Thorpe because he has not been here. (Cheers.) Miss Harvie Anderson (East Renfrewshire, C)—All members wish to see the terms of the clauses that refer to the referendum. But at no time did I or any of my colleagues suggest that they should be discussed out of time, as suggested by Mr Foot. This is gerrymandering parliamentary procedure in an un-

acceptable way. Mr Foot—I would invite her to consider the remarks that she contributed to the debate on this sub-ject urging the Government to give an early opportunity for the House to discuss these matters. It was her speech, together with others, that we rook into account in reaching this conclusion.

spokesman on devolution (Cambridgeshire, C)—The House is grateful that these new clauses are to be tabled, but few members asked for discussion to take place on them out of time. on them out of time.

If the referendum is in any sense related to the Bill it would be wise to complete the committee stage of the Bill before it would be reason-

related to the Bill it would be wise to complete the committee stage of them down. What we have done is to ensure that by tabling these amendments today, MPs will have the opportunity for purting down any amendment they wish and we have postponed the continuation of the committee stage to enable that to happen.

Mr Jeremy Thorpe (North Devon, L.)—It is a good idea that we shall want to consider. Why only one day's business on the committee stage next week? Why is he slow-

Sources of evidence cannot be revealed

There was considerable disquiet about the rumours concerning the prisoner Myra Hindley, Mr Fahrick Cormack (South-West Statford-shire, C) said during Home Office There was no acceptable way in lead to disclosure of sources could which security service information could be tested in public. Mr questions.

He asked Mr Brynmor John,
Minister of State, if he could still
the anxiety of those who feared
she would soon be released.

Mr John (Pontypridd, Lab:—
There is a procedure which has to
be gone through before anyone
serving a life sentence is released
on license. There is creatable no Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary, said during question time.

Mr Douglas Hoyle (Nelson and Colne, Lab) had asked if the Home Secretary would ensure that people who were under threat of depor-tation were given such information in relation to allegations against them as would not entail disclosure of sources of evidence. Mr Rees-This is already the case.

Mr Hoyle—As assurance was given by Mr Reginald Maudling when he was Home Secretary. Failure to fulfill that in the two cases pre-sently before us means that not Business in the House of Comonly is it impossible to prepare defences to the charges but also to know the nature of them or the length of time covered by them. That is totally against the concept ectes ESDAY: Nuclear industry - Figures of justice as we know it.

Mr Rees With regard to depor-tation, I deport following a court recommendation that a breach of condition of entry, overstays, if I deem is to be conducive to the public good, or as a member of the family of a person already to be deported.

In all those four cases there are Business in the House of Lords Parliamentary notices

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Today at 11.00: Employee Investment Bill. Parliamentary Commissionary HURSDAY: Marriage Scotland Bill. Parliamentary Commissionary Hursbay: Marriage Scotland Bill. Commissionary Indicate Stage. Criminal Law Bill. Commissionary Marriage Scotland Bill. Commissionary Commissionary Marriage Scotland Bill. Commissionary C

If anybody can find a better system of working given that basic fact I will listen to it.

in this question.

All he knows is that an allega-

have not been adhered to as Mr Maudling indicated they would be

Mr Rees-There is not an acceptable way in which security service information can be tested in pub-If anybody looks at the case there could have been ways in which I could have done this with-

I am not so silly as not to magine all the implications of what I have done. I thought it right for the state that it should be done in this way.

be revealed to the person con-That is what I have to work on.

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, Lab)—
In the Agee case it has manifestly
not been the case that the deportee
has been given details of that
which is alleged against him, consisten with the proviso contained
in this energial.

non has been made that he con-sorted with foreign agents. He does not know which country, the circumstances which are alleged, r what the allegation is.

In this particular case the details

in 1971.

iic. I know of no way by which this can be done. It is the judgment which I make in the first instance. out it being made public. I felt it right to make it public.

There is no acceptable way in required a more sophic which security service information power planning capab

fited specifically from foundry scheme and r industry scheme. E900,000 nad been s Fiardman report on the

To bring about the It means a clos

between Government which was emerging. long way to go, bu steps had been tal Government. Mr Mark Carlisle (I said too much had be of the economy for local public expendit little left for industr The Government had mate which was counts

Mr James Lamond (0 Lab) said MPs often

ployment.
Sir Thomas Williams (
Lab) said there was
number ever of unemp leavers in his cons

Mr Michael McGuire said that Skelmersdale stituency, which could a disaster area, had a

He asked the House to suspend judgment until they had a report and then to make up their minds. Mr John Davies said that the Foreign Secretary had given more detail than they had heard before. They still could not understand why he had given the response he did yesterday, but in the light of what he had said, they would suspend judgment for the time being. The motion to adjourn was negapolicies. The motion to adjourn was negatived.

Mr Harold Walker, . State for Employment Lab), said there had be id the way that his calculated the number ployed. If the same kind tion was still in use unemployment ligure: North-West would hav nificantly lower under ment than they were Conservatives in 1972. The motion for the a.

Select committee to study Bill of Rights

tee stage.

Lord Wade (L), moving the second reading of the Bill of Rights Bill. said it would incorporate into the domestic law of Britain the princiomesuc law of Briain the prote-ples of the European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms signed by members of the Council of Europe in Rome in 1950.

Complainants would be saved the expense and delays in appealing to the European Court of Human Rights. Introduction of the Bill showed that they were passing from the realm of academic discussion about a Bill of Rights to that of potential legislative action. The Bill might be beneficial to those who suffered intrusion into their privaty.
The United Kingdom had already

ratified the convention but by taking this further step she would be following the example of most other European countries.

If we move towards some federal system in the United Kingdom, as I believe we will (the said) it might be desirable to have some form of statement of fundamental principles applicable to all parts of the United Kingdom.

Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone, Lord Hallsham of St Marylebone, for the Opposition, moving an amendment to refer the Bill to a select committee, said that if he thought it would ultimately find its place on the statute book this session he would be content to give it a second reading, put down any amendments he thought appropriate and send it to the Commons, but he was convinced that this was not the Government's intention and that the Bill would disappear.

A good select committee could A good select committee could produce a valuable report which would add a definite and constructive contribution to the discussion of the subject and possibly eluctuate some of the highly controversial questions which would have to be thrashed out.

He realized that he was prescrib-ng for some members of the ing for some members of the House, if they consented to serve on the committee, a certain amount of hard labour, but hoped it would be a labour of love. The exercise would be useful if the select committee was set up and, as he anticipated, was made up of distinguished members of the

Lord Lloyd of Rampstead (Lab) said the real aim of the Bill was to curb the power of Parliament. A bandwagon had developed, supported by the press which was always keen on some slogan they tould seize on as a panacea for all their ills. Lord Denning and some of his colleagues had shown plainly that there were ample powers in the common law structure to con-

trol the executive. Lord Diplock said there was aiready recourse to the European Court of Human Rights. The Bill should go to a select committee which could consider doubts about the usefulness of the measure

House of Lords

The Torts (Interference with Goods) Bill completed its committee stage.

Lord Wade (L), moving the second reading of the Bill of Rights Bill.

Lady Elles, for the Opposition, said a Bill of Rights might not be the best way of ensuring protection of individual freedom and human

Lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Chancel-

One of the strongest objections to the measure was that the con-vention was framed in such wide

fell short of the convention's ideals and remedy any defects in provi-

for this. The most effective course might be to set up a standing commission on human rights with the continuing function of review to ensure that it compiled with Britain's international obligations. The amendment was agreed and the Bill read a second time. House adjourned, 6.24 pm.

steps were being produced through fear of what might happen under a future Labour government. Such issues were never mooted under a Conservative government.
They did not want the courts to

above the Commons.

of Human Rights. The necessity for it was largely due to the in-creasing power of the state in rela-tion to the individual and to the

rights but it was essential, when more and more bureaucracy crowded in on the individual, that some better way be found to achieve the protection citizens deserved.

lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Chancel-lor, said human rights were not grossly abused in the United King-dom nor was there any obvious danger of growing tyranny to be averted. The courts had shown themselves far from backward in ensuring that the powers entrusted by Parliament to the executive were not exceeded.

vention was framed in such wide terms as to create uncertainty about the extent of the rights it purported to convoy.

Courts would be faced with problems of interpretation in controversial matters with which they were not well suited to deal. There would be no guidelines to help judges, either. This would lead to more "try on" litigation and disatisfied litigants could still seek their remedy at Strasbourg after exhausting domestic remedies.

There could be difficulties in medical practice on abortion, for example, and the treatment of zerminal iliness by the general concept of the right to live in the contention.

convention.

He doubted, too, if this was a suitable subject for a select com-

sions.

The Government would be pre-pared to consider further the need for tals. The most effective course

become politically stronger than the Lords and constitutionally

Lord Dunleath (Alifance) said the Bill's strength was that it was based on the Universal Declaration

threat to personal privacy resulting from technological advance.

The better course for protecting rights might be a general review of the law to identify points where it

Mr Ronald Bell (Beaconsfield, C), opening an emergency debate on the abduction of schoolchildren from South-West Rhodesia, said that last Sunday evening a small band of armed guerrillas came to the Manama mission school at the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Mission and at gunpoint rounded up

sion and at gunpoint rounded up 384 children, five teachers, and In order to show the purity of their motives, they broke open the mission safe, stole £1,300 and marched the children, teachers and

priests off towards the Botswana border. Four children and one priest escaped fairly quickly from their captors. Ten more children and two teachers had since escaped and returned. About 370 children still remained somewhere in Botswana.

All these children were minors and should be in the custody of their parents. An appeal had been made to the Botswana Government and to the International Red Cross, so The Botswana Government was reported to have said that the children had fied to Botswana to escape death at the hands of the Smith forces, who, the spokesman said, shot innocent people to maintain a kill quota of 10 guerrilias to one Rhodesin saids.

min a kill quom of 10 guerrillas to one Rhodesian soldier.
That seemed to be the contradictory account for Sir Sereise Khama's government to which the Foreign Secretary referred yesterday and which was his excuse for no action.

Everyone but the Foreign Secretary knew what this was all about. Mr Crosland seemed not to.
I am able at least (he said) to discern the difference between mass abduction of children and some of the other border incidents that occur. that occur.
Abduction across the border by

Abduction across the border by Nkomo's men had been going on for several months—long before the proposals of Mr Richards were formulated, long before the Geneva conference broke down.

Those 370 children were in the pipeline to Francistown. His information was the contract of figure 1. mation was that captured Africans were taken over the border into Botswans, then taken to Francis-town, flown from there to Zambia. where they stopped, and then from Zambia to Tanzania where they were trained and indoctrinated and specially selected ones went to

Russia.
These children, who a few days ago were in their village, were already in Francistown on that familiar routs. Their parents had tary woke up and exercised the pressure he could exercise on Seretse Khama who knew perfectly well what game was being played on his territory.

The Government were in a position to stop this happening if they showed one African president they had a little red blood in their

State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs (Merthyr Tydfil, Lab), said the House should join in deploring the involvement of schoolchildren in the Rhodesian The British Government were in no position to determine the true matter vigorously, particularly the

Mr Edward Rowlands, Minister of

veins.

facts in this case. There were conflicting reports. They were not in an authorizative position to decide what was the true position.

Britain's High Commissioner in Botswana immediately discussed the matter with the Botswana suth-

Borswana immediately discussed the matter with the Borswana authorities and as soon as the first reports of the incident were received, she was informed that Borswana is happarents of these children. Borswana and connect that Borswana and children.

received, she was informed that urgent inquiries were being made. As the border area was affected by flooding, it was difficult to obtain the facts.

Last evening the Government received a further report from the High Commissioner. She had been informed by the authorities that the main body of children, 380 of them, were at Bobonong, Botswana, and arrangements were m hand for them to be transferred to Seleb-Pikwe and Francistown where there were better facilities for the children's welfare.

The Botswana authorities in

The Botswanz authorities informed the High Commission that a large number of the children interviewed had stated that they had left Rhodesia willingly to escape harassment from the Rho-desian forces. Because of the British Govern-

Because of the British Government's concern for the welfare of the children, they had instructed the High Commissioner in Gaborone to make immediate representations to the Botswam authorities urging that the children should not be moved outside Botswam until the full facts of the crae had been established by an angel.

wana until the full facts of the crse had been established by an independent inquiry.

The Botswana Government had said they would welcome the insurvention of the International Red Cross. That would be extremely helpful and he had asked Eritain's mission in Geneva to speak to the Red Cross. They were sending a representative to Gaborone tomorrow. He had asked the High Commissioner to keep in close touch with the Red Cross and that a member of the mission staff

touch with the Red Cross and that a member of the mission staff should visit the children.

If, after the full facts had been established, there appeared to be further grounds for further urgent representation to the Botswana Government, they would not hestate to make them.

Mr John Davies, Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs (Knutsford, C), said the thing that filled MPs with deep anxiety and anger was the feeling that the Foreign Secretary had once again dealt with this matter with the kind of serene Olympian detachment which characterized his whole approach, and with an apparent indifference and with an apparent indifference to the issues involved.

The British Government had taken the standard diplomatic action open to them or any other country in the discussions of the standard diplomatic action open to them or any other country in the discussions of the standard diplomatic action open to them or any other country in the discussions of the standard diplomatic actions are the standard diplomatic actions of the standard diplomatic action open to the standard diplomatic actions open to the standard diplomatic action diplomatic actions open to the standard diplomatic a

action open to mem or any orner country in the circumstances, But Britain was not "any other country", but a country with a fundamental and leading interest in this problem.

The Foreign Secretary (he said) after great hesitation and turdiness, and goodness knows what damage has been brought to screed to some British intervention and involvement in the interim phase in Rhodesia if ever we procure that phase, but that alone justifies intervention. Mr Rowlands-We have now heard

that Botswana is happy for the parents of these children to 20 to Botswana and connect up with their children and talk about it. Mr Mauding-It is inadequate to say to these parents, whose children have gone across a fron-tier: "If you like you will have the opportunity to come and see them." when they are in a foreign

The Foreign Secretary talked about a border incident, but was it a border incident when those children might possibly never see their purents again?

Incidents of that kind and the support given by the present Government to the guerrilla movement, and the failure of the from line presidents to condemn it, was going to make a solution to the Rhodesian problem more difficult. Mr Jeremy Thorpe (North Devon, L) said the central issue was 400 children who, they had been told,

had fied to escape death at the hands of the Smith regime. It was more than a slightly strange colori-dence that every one of these 400 children had apparently taken this These were children for whom These were children for whom the British had claimed continuing constitutional responsibility. He was delighted that the Conservative Party had intilated this debate and he hoped this meant that in future they recognized that Britain had a continuing constitutional responsibility for Rhodesta. I cannot think it conceivable (he said) that these parents do not want their children back. They

have a right to have them back and the Government should do some-thing to ensure that they get them back. Mr Robert Hughes (Aberdeen, North, Lab) said there had been no sound from the Opposition when sound from the Opposition when eight alleged terrorists were hung arter a secret trial by the Smith regime which had no right to bang anyone, or when people were shot without question, trial, pity or mercy after curiew time there. It is (he said) the 248,000 Europeans trying to dominate seven million Africans who are the only people who need guns to survive.

But I shall certainly condemn anyone who takes children at gunpoint.
Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavilion, C) said those abducted were flown to graining camps in Tanzania or Mozambique for training in military and political mainers. From there they were sent back to Rhodesia to kill, mainly Africans, bear up villages thought to be friendly to the Smith authorities and to abduct other young people. Many were killed or captured and Many were killed or captured and

hanged.
This is what will lie ahead for these 400 children (he said) unless something is done about it. We are responsible for them once they are intervention.

Britain should have pursued the clear obligation to get them returned to their parents.

Opposition suspend judgment on children in Botswana

served.

Miss Joan Lestor (Eton and Slough, Lab) said that if the children had been abducted against their will and were being trained in the server served.

Stough, Lab) said that if the children had been abducted against their will and were being trained in terday about the Botswana regime. a guerrilla campaign she would condemn it, but she would not prejudge the situation.

prejudge the situation.

Mr Anthony Crosland Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs (Grimsby, Lab), said the Government had been told that the request of the British High Commissioner for access to the children for a member of her staff had been readily granted and two parents had already asked through the Red Cross to see their children.

The Botswanz Government had agreed and if those parents parents

agreed and if those parents persuaded their children to go back to Rhodesia no obstacle would be placed in their way.

Botswana will welcome an International Red Cross inquiry (he said) and will give them every facility to meet the children. I have selved our mission in Cenem have asked our mission in Geneva to speak to the IRC. They are sending a Red Cross representative to Gabarone tomorrow and I have asked our High Commissioner

there to remain in close touch with staff to visit the children with the Red Cross representative. They would do all they can to put the children in touch with their parents. There were two versions of events. Some Opposition speakers had conceded that of course there

were, but others had assumed, without serious argument, that there was only one version—that of the Rhodesia Front.

There was another version, a detailed version which had been received through the High Commissioner in Botswans. The Rhodesia security forces had kept returning to the school last year interrogating the students. The students had formed an organization among themselves with a committee and planued to leave Rhodesia.

Rhodesia.
On January 21 they had returned to school after the Christmas holidays. Again the security forces had visited them. They had therefore resolved to leave on January 30. Included in the group were one teacher and three pastors. They had walked all night and crossed the border after dark. had walked all dight and crossed the border after dark.

Botswana officials had inter-viewed individually and at random, 30 of the older children and 20

30 of the older Children and 20 younger ones.

They asked the children if they wanzed to go back to Rhodesia and said that if they did, they would be assisted to do so. They all said emphatically that they did not want to go back.

I do not know (he said) whether they recsion is true. It may not be: that version is true. It may not be; none of us know.

At least it seems sensible not to take a final view when we have two The British Railways, British versions and at the moment none Transport Docks and London Hyof us can know which version is draulic Power Bills were read a

rect, this is one of the most horrifying things which, throughout history, has been done to children. If were refugees, to add to the thou-

terday about the Botswata regime. This was one of the most democratic regimes in southern Africa. It was a multiracial regime and represented what most MPs would like to see as the outcome of Rhodesia talks.

Some had said that the British Government were condoning acts of violence, but they were doing to

of violence, but they were doing no such thing.

He agreed that Botswana was a helpless victim when incursions took place by Rhodesian forces.

Any suggestions of monopoly of feeling for children or parents or families in the circumstances was wholly inappropriate and was not the best way to discover the truth of the matter.

The failure to reach a negotiated settlement would cause—and

The fature to reach a negonated settlement would cause—and would unfailingly cause—an escalation of violence on both sides, and an escalation of guerrilla war. That could not be avoided, under any circumstances. In this case, they did not yet know the final facts. The most promising development was the visit of the IRC to Bots-

was the visit of the IRC to Botswama and he hoped that they would give a truthful account of events. If violence had been involved, everybody in the House, and certainly the Government, would deplore it.

If there was no settlement, the guerrilla was would escalare and there would be outside intervention on both sides of the guerrilla war. The essential thing to avoid a future incident of this kind was to achieve a negotiated settlement.

Not all the speeches made today

Not all the speeches made today Not all the speeches made today (he said) have helped in the search for a negotiated settlement but at the end of the day that is what the British Government wish to achieve and we shall bend all our efforts towards achieving it.

He asked the House to suspend

PM will visit motor industry

The Prime Minister sald in a written reply that in the near future he hoped to visit the motor vehicle industry, which was of such great importance to the economy and particularly to employment in the West Midlands.

Private Bills

secure safeguards again tinued flood of imports The area had see starved of funds, an p ible urge to pile obicompanies which were the last straw.
Mr Albert Booth, S State for Employment Furness, Lab), said were debating the r Scotland and Wales in J. J. Na J. 24 with devolution, it was
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ployment rate of over What the country need investment in the right Mr Barney Hayhoe, ar spokesman on (Hounslow, Brentford worth, C1, said the structural problems w considerable time to had been aggravated The key to combating thent could only the expanding industry duced the goods and export or for impost: What was needed was able private industry.

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says, it hears of graduates whose principals have been either unwilling or unable to provide satisfactory training. But because of the difficulty of obtaining places as articled clerks, demand for which has exceeded supply for many years, graduates rarely feel able to complain.

The conference is concerned about the low salaries usually paid to graduate articled clerks. This demeans the profession in the sight of outsiders, it says. It means that it fails to recruit some very able people", who are attracted by higher rewards elsewhere. It also lays the profession open to the charge of bias in favour of these whose private means or parental sub-sidies enable them to survive

the first few years of training. The conference does not wish to accuse of cupidity or selfish-ness solicitors who act as principals. It is aware that solicitors have businesses to run, and that it is probably only towards the end of the two-year training period that the output of an articled clerk begins to exceed even the comparatively low salary he or she receives. While it is desirable on social elieves, five main obliged to pay a graduate artic-tal work in which led clerk a minimum salary of, ks should be given say. £2,000 a year, there is a But the extent to danger that that could result in a further reduction of the num-ber of articled clerkships avail-

he solicitor with whom the the fact that training costs raduate is articled, money, the benefits of which are Too often, the conference not immediately recoverable. lies at the root of the difficulties

It rejects any suggestion that remedies for such difficulties should be worked out by the profession itself. The conference is not the only group outside the profession that has drawn the attention of the Law Society to the present unsatisfactory state of affairs, it says. Reforms have been considered, but no effective action had been taken.

"Over the years we have been very disappointed at the failure of the Law Society to tackle the problems which have emerged", it says. It believes it is essential that training be made the responsibility of a body independent of the Law Society. It proposes that a legal training board be set up, composed of lay members and representa-

tives of all sides of the legal profession, including trainees. The board should be empowered to impose a levy on all practising solicitors, organizations employing solicitors, and on all practising barristers to make grants to impose and heads of chambers that provide training of an acceptable standard and pay salaries above an agreed minimum. (Barristers at present receive no remuneration during their first year of pupil-

The board would also take responsibility for awarding grants to law students on a uni-form national basis.

Further attempt today to end fortnight-old strike at Windscale

Stoppage costs £14,000 a day in lost sales from electricity

A further attempt is to be

made tonight to end the fort-night-old dispute involving nearly 4,000 workers at the nuclear fuel reprocessing plants and two power stations at Windscale, Cumbria.

The stoppage is costing the government - owned company, British Nuclear Fuels, and the British Nuclear Puels, and the Atomic Energy Authority £14,000 a day in lost revenue from the electricity industry alone. Both the Calder Hall nuclear power station and the experimental advanced gascooled reactor at Windscale supply current to the

national grid.
Although full safety precautions have been maintained, the stoppage might prejudice long-term negotiations for £500m worth of overseas business re-

and European power stations. The negotiations are clouded by last year's public response to proposals to build an oxide fuel reprocessing plant, which will now be subject to a prolonged public inquiry if proceeded

The BNFL management is reluctant to make public comment while negotiations are at a delicate stage, but yesterday it was disclosed that national officers of all the unions involved, as well as members of the company's senior management from Warrington and London, will attend tonight's meeting.

Shop stewards and workers. however, have no inhibitions about discussing the dispute, which they say is the culmination of several years of frustration at low wage rates. What they allege has been a steady

excellent relations with the

Mr William Maxwell, the works convener, said the men were angry and that there was nothing he and his fellow stewards could have done to prevent the stoppage last week. were among the most convincing supporters of the company's expansion scheme during last year's "national debate". Mr Maxwell said they were now deeply burt at the manage-

ment's attitudes.
According to Mr Maxwell and other stewards, simmering re-sentment at "take home pay rates of about £37 a week came to a head when the manage-ment refused to pay men who reported for work last Wednesday, but were not allowed to enter radiation risk areas be-

cause of an earlier stoppage by 32 employees who issue protec-

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He said the "change room" men's sudden strike for a doubling of their 70p a week hazard allowance was strongly condemned by the shop stewards. Trouble broke out first because a thousand men were sent home with, at most only an hour's pay, and then because the management re-fused facilities for a meeting.

Yesterday other shop stewards and workers who were maintaining a strict picket pointed to anomalies between the money earned by men work ing for private contractors and their own rates as direct employees of BNFL. Contractors' men, they said, were paid substantial bonuses ostensibly for working in hazardous condition on the state of the stat

conditions as industrial workers and those of the staff. One skilled craftsman said that his foreman earned £40 a week more than he did. "If we had black skins, this firm would find itself in front of the Race Relations Board for gross dis-crimination", one shop stew-ard said. A thousand men employed by private contractors are among the total who have stopped work.

Many workers think that as employees of a governmentowned industry they are taking more than a fair share of the brunt of pay policy, particularly when they rub shoulders with men employed by private contractors who seem to be able to find ways round the present restraints.

Genetic safeguard changed after protest

By Clive Cookson of The Times Higher Education Supplement

The Health and Safety Com-mission has rewritten its defimission has rewritten its den-nition of genetic manipulation which led to a protest from scientists when draft regula-tions for the control of gen-etic engineering were published last year.

The earlier definition was contained in a regulation that read: "No person shall carry on any activity intended to alter, or likely to alter, the genetic constitution of any micro-organism unless he has given to the Health and Safety

Executive notice . . . of his ded or likely (a) to insert gen-intention to carry on that etic information into organisms

by the extension of bureau-cratic interference that the regulation seemed to involve. Almost any experiment involving microbes would have been subject to official control, whether or not potentially dangerous new techniques were being used.

The rule that the Health and Safety Commission intends to put in its place reads: "No person shall carry on any activity which, by using biochemical manipulation of extra-cellular nucleic acids, is inter-

and (b) to circumvent the nat-ural barriers to such insertions, and (c) to propagate that infor-mation, unless notice has been given. "S. J. Pirt, of Queen

Elizabeth College, London, a leading critic of the original proposal, said the tighter and more technical new definition reasonable but he wished to see the whole of the revised regulations.

One matter that will have to be cleared up is the relationship between the Health and Safety Executive and the new Genetic Manipulation Advisory Group.

Rail season-ticket fraud costs cashier £360

From Our Correspondent Southend

A commuter was able to de-fraud British Rail out of £679.76 in fares for a year by using the "short season" method, magistrates at Southend, Essex, were told yesterday. Alan Dunn, aged 30, a cashier, of Rubeus Close, Shoeburyness, admitted evading most of his twice-daily fare on two days last

Shoeburyness and Southend Central in his own name and another under a false identity between Stepney East and Fenchurch Street, thus evading the fare in between. Mr Philpott said Mr Dunr

was caught out by an alert rail-way detective, who followed him from his home to the City one morning and back again the same night. He saw him pro-Mr Dunn was fined a total of £50 with £10 costs and ordered to pay £300 compensa-tion to British Rail.

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Dr Roger Dale, Open University lecturer in the sociology of education and one of the editors of the book, said Dr Gould's criticisms did not take into account two other readers for the course being published at the same time.
Neither The Process of

course tutors, Schooling nor School in Society social science had a Marxist approach. The book Schooling and Capitalism was by no means exclusively Marxist. "The course would not be balanced if it did not Marxist. contain a Macxist element. But ultant psychiatrist, to suggest that this is all it n an article in The contains is not true", he said. In his article Dr Gould com-

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better for women than men.
_ The report for the years 1975-

76 shows that the proportion of overseas students seeking uni-

versity places in Britain has risen from 9.5 per cent to 14.2 per cent since 1967.

It confirms the evidence in bulletins from the council pub-

lished since last October which

indicate a marked swing among students towards engineering and technology. More students are now interested in agricul-

ture, forestry, business manage-

ment studies and accountancy,

while fewer wish to study the

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UCCA 14th report 1975-76 (PO Box 28, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL50 1HY. Price 65p).

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"Lammin changed his doctor

the day before Miss Baridon was killed, and persuaded him

to prescribe Mogadon and Vallium tablets, which he mixed with the old lady's Ovaltine",

"Miss Baridon began vomit

ing, and Lammin panicked." Mrs. Bailey arrived and either

put a pillow over Miss Baridon's

face or pinched her nose,

causing her to die of suffoca-tion. The doctor was satisfied that she had died of natural

In a post-mortem examination

a pathologist could find nothing to indicate that Miss Baridon

had died other than through

natural causes.

A man who had seen Mr

Lammin put the drug in the

Ovaltine told the police, counsel

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Mr Lammin had attempted to

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Ristorante San Martino

This elegant Romanesque-style restaurant in the heart of theatreland gives the diner a choice of four dining areas. There is the simple, classic atmosphere of the White Room; wrought ironwork and potted plants in the Pink Room; a farmhouse style decor in the Alpine Room; and some attractive Titian originals and reproductions in the Titian Room. The mainly Italian menu is equally varied and French and English specialities are also served.

Try the Quails with Rice or the Gigot of Lamb with onions, peppers and white sauce. The wine list has both Italian and French wines. The Ristorante San Martino is at 46-47 St. Martin's Lane, London WC2. Reservations on 01-240 2336.

Japanese Steak House

If you would like a pre-theatre dinner served by slippered 'Geisha' girls in colourful cotton kimonos this is for you. The tables (unique in this country) have a flat central gas griddle on which the food is cooked. Before the meal, have a long and intricate cocktail and round it off with kyoto - plum wine, almond liqueur, creme de cacao and cream. You can enjoy a prime Scotch Steak, try the famous beef Sukiyaki, the delicious oriental chicken or succulent fillets of pork Shogayaki. The Japanese Steak House is at 22 Dean Street, London W1. Reservations on 01-437 6630.

A new restaurant not far from Harrods with a Provençal atmosphere and cuisine. The attractive decor is of a French The French Provençal menu is as excellent as the service and the restaurant has already achieved a fine reputation. Try a speciality dish like Aubergine Au Four and the Cotelettes d'Agneau 'Mes Amis'. There is a good wine menu with some notable vintages like Chateau de Fell. Mes Amis is at 31, Basil Street, London SW1. Reservations on 01-584 4484.

The Caviar Bar

An unusual restaurant close to Harrods but with an individuality all its own - and run by the Viscount Newport. The glass-topped chromium tables, marble topped bar and black and white tiled floor go well with the fish food menu. Speciality dishes are caviar, lobster and smoked salmon. Caviar is also sold retail. A light lunch of pressed caviar, the cheese board and an excellent bottle of wine will not break the bank. You might prefer bisque de homard or turtle soup, followed by smoked sturgeon or smoked trout, a green salad and fresh fruit or a selection of cheeses. Special wines include Champagne 66 Krug and Russian and Polish Frosted Vodka. The Caviar Bar is at 22 Brompton Road, London SW1. Reservations on 01-589 8772.

Pennyhill Park

Pennyhill Park, near Bagshot, stands in 18 acres of beautiful Surrey parkland. Once a millionaire's country manor house, now a magnificent hotel, Pennyhill Park invites non-residents to dine amidst candlelit Tudor splendour in the Latymer Room. The cuisine is traditionally and superbly French (complemented by a distinguished wine list) but intriguing mavericks include an Indonesian speciality. It is wise to book - ring Bagshot 71774.

Lythe Hill Hotel 'Auberge de France'

Set in 14 acres overlooking Blackdown National Trust Woodland, the 15th century Auberge de France offers superb service personally supervised by Monsieur Max, and an interesting and varied menu. Many of the dishes are specially prepared for you at your table. The large wine cellars boast a distinguished selection of vintage and chateau-bottled clarets and champagne. Lythe Hill Hotel is at Petworth Road, Haslemere. Reservations on Haslemere 4131.





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Accusation of breaking free-trade rules with subsidy of £1m per week

Britain defies EEC in defence of pig market

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Sources: Dept of Employment average retail prices; Annual Review of Agri Cambridge Univ pig management scheme, 1976.

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By Hugh Clayton Agricultural Correspondent Britain has shown in paying a subsidy to its pig farmers that it is no more squeamish than some of the original Six members of the EEC about breaking Community rules. Today marks the deadline for the British Government to send a formal answer to the European Commission's charge of breaking free-trade rules.

ing free-trade rules.

In the eyes of Brussels the Bridsh Government, led by Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, is twice guilty. First, it decided to pay the subsidy after little debate with Brussels. Second, it paid the subsidy after little debate with Brussels. Second, it paid the subsidy after Brussels had operationed its legality. questioned its legality.

The British defence of the

payments, worth about £3.50 a pig and £1m a week altogether, nas a tit-for-tat air about it. The subsidy might not have been necessary had a perversion of Community rules outside Britain not undermined the British pig trade. There are about eight million

pigs in the United Kingdom, with the greatest concentrations in Northern Ireland and the lowlands of England. But they

are insufficient to provide all to Britain is extremely high pigmeat required. The greatest deficiencies are in processed fore been flooded with bacon fore been flooded with bacon fore been flooded with bacon flooded with pig, especially bacon, of which more than half of British supplies are imported.

The physical aspect of the market is straightforward, the economic one tortuous. The difference between farm prices in Britain and in other parts of the EEC is made up with payments from Community funds in order to preserve free trade. The way in which the payments are calculated for has recognized the anomalous pigs means that the size of the basis of payments to balance subsidy paid to EEC suppliers prices in Britain and elsewhere.

Total return on fat pigs Price of all feeds used

Leg of pork (av) Smoked back bacon (min)

Ham (av)

Smoked back bacon (max)

A device to deter motorists

from parking illegally is being considered by Camden

council, in London. A steel arm clamped over the bonnet

of the offending vehicle

ensures that the car cannot

be moved unless it is driven

over the six-inch teeth that

"box in " the tyre. A steel

Surgeons 'could

use of rare blood'

Surgeons at an Oxford hos-pital felt they could not justify using supplies of an extremely

rare blood group for an exploratory operation that might

have saved the life of a man

aged 70, an Oxford inquest was told yesterday. When the man

died a post-mortem examina-tion showed that an earlier

operation to replace a hip joint

had left a sharp piece of setting

material jutting out of the joint, which had probably severed an artery.

Mr Martin Conybeare, senior

registrar at Nuffield Ortho-paedic Hospital, Oxford, said they discovered that Mr Smart's

Local taxation should be used to finance

the health service, Liberal Party suggests

says that a new discipline, pre-ventive psychiatry, should be developed. The way in which

the environment, instability of

family life, the rearing of child-ren, educational attitudes, life-

styles and altered values con-tribute to ill health was a wide

and important subject. Psychia-

try, psychology and sociology could all contribute towards the

prevention of an important cause of illness.

idea that a corporation should run the health service and take it out of the area of politics. But it advocates much more

worker participation in making

Such participation might

Once democratic control had

been introduced into the health

service by giving effective executive control to elected representatives of the people

in partnership with representa-

tives of health workers, the role of community health councils would disappear. There would, however, still be a need for similar organizations to provide

a forum for local debate and

links between elected represen-tatives, local groups, and the public. Decision process criticized: The

which the memorandum con- National Union of Students, in They should be given more

take time to introduce, the memorandum says, and mean-while more joint consultation

should be developed.

The memorandum rejects the

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The British market has therefore been flooded with bacon, inned hams and other processed pieces of pig at prices lower than those at which British refusal to do that has been forced by the beautiful mark forced at which British refusal to do that has been afford. tish meat factories can afford to sell them. In the past year prices of pigs and of pig products have not kept up with inflation. Farmers have had no incentive to increase the breed-ing herd, and meat factories have faced a shortage of pigs.

ing payments. That is because the value of sterling has fallen in the 15 months since the value of the green pound was Britain in turn refuses to The European Commission

devalue the green pound until pledges are made about reform-ing the common agricultural policy of the EEC. The European Commission says that re-form and devaluation are quite separate and that neither can be made to depend on the

widened the gap which the Com-

munity has to close with balanc-

Mr Silkin considers that freetrading rules have already been broken by the payment of ex-cessive amounts to suppliers of processed pig abroad.

The Government decided to pay a subsidy because the country faced a shortage of pigs. The weakness of the market was underlined yesterday by cuts in wholesale prices of bacon sides of as much as 21p a pound.



Union leaders, teachers, parents and children gathered in the Market Square at Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, yesterday to protest against cuts in the county's education spending.

rejects visit

to S Africa

Mr Chris van der Walt, direc-tor of information at the South

African Embassy, said yester-

South Africa . . . with patent disregard of the facts".

The invitation was "a serious

behalf to create an opportunity

clearly ill equipped to comment

on is greatly regretted.".

The union is awaiting counsel's advice before deciding

whether to appeal against the

Court of Appeal judgment in

the South African postal boy-cott case. Mr Jackson has said

that a decision to appeal to the House of Lords will depend

largely on whether the union's

right to strike has been sub-stantially affected.

According to the South Afri-

trade, unionists by the Govern-

"Had he taken the trouble to see for himself, as we would

have liked him to, he would have known that the actions

against the militants had noth-

ing whatspever to do with their trade union actions and affilia-tions", Mr van der Walt said. He said the proposed boycott

was a propaganda stunt and superficial gesture.

ment in Pretoria.

By Tim Jones

Labour Staff

New trial may close drug-law loophole

An apparent loophole in the law relating to cannabis, revealed by a Court of Appeal ruling last mouth, may be closed as a result of a new trial ordered by the court yesterday. Kevin John Goodchild, aged 19, a local government clerk,

cleared last month of being in possession of cannabis in the form of shredded leaves and stalk of the plant, must stand trial again, Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, said yester-

The charge, possession of cannabinol derivatives, was originally made against Mr Goodchild, of Fareham, Hamp-shire, but the trial judge ordered it to remain on the file and not be proceeded with without leave of the Court of Mr Goodchild's conviction of

possessing cannabis was quashed on January 13 because the Court of Appeal ruled that it had not been shown that cannabis stalk and leaves came from the "flowering or fruiting tops" of the plant, possession of which is an offence under the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971. Lord Widgery, sitting with Mr Justice Talbot and Mr Justice Slynn, said the court was anxious that the "cold point of law" raised by the charge should be decided as soon as possible at Portsmouth Crown Court,

The court yesterday certified that its decision allowing Mr Goodchild's appeal raised a interest, but adjourned the DPP's application for leave to appeal to the House of Lords to await the outcome of the

Water rates will be increased in 'rich' regions

Water rates in some areas, for example, the Southern Water Authority and Thames regions, including London, are to be increased as part of the Government's plan to make rates fairer

Explaining the likely effect Explaining the fixely effect of the changes yesterday, Mr Howell, Minister of State, Department of Environment, said ratepayers in other areas, such as Wales, East Anglia, the South-west and Northumberland, would benefit.

Mr Howell told MPs that the average domestic annual water-

average domestic annual water-rate bill would increase in the North-west region from £17 to fil7.40; in the Severn-Trent region from £17.30 to £17.75; Yorkshire, from £17.50 to £18.10; pregnant women.
Mr Gardiner said: "It would have meant getting it from Sweden.

Health Services Correspondent

should continue to be financed

through taxation but preferably

by a local income tax collected regionally, the Liberal Party has told the royal commission

It says in evidence to the

commission, published yester-day, that the service is in crisis.

Demands exceed resources, while employees and patients are entangled in a bureaucratic

nightmare in which administra-

tion seems to be more import-

service and personal social services to be merged. That would involve the abolition of

the 90 area health authorities and many joint consultative

committees and joint care-plan-

The memorandum supports the Government's emphasis on

care in the community and suggests that resources should be

transferred from complex insti-

tutions to the provision of ser-

vices for patients in their

A novel suggestion in the

evidence is that foster-families

should be paid to care for elderly, mentally ill, and men-tally handicapped patients dis-charged from hospital.

In the mental health field.

siders to merit priority, with the evidence to the commission, care of the aged, the young, says there are too many levels

The party wants the health

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on the service.

The National Health Service

Men questioned over **Dupont chief's killing**

June 100 91

Several men were being ques-tioned last night in connexion with inquiries into the murder of Mr Jeffrey Agate, a London-derry industrialist, which has stunned the Roman Catholic and Protestant communities throughout Northern Ireland and threatened foreign investment in Ulster. Mr Agate, works director of the large American-owned

Dupont fibre complex outside the city, was a symbolic figure in economic terms as well as being highly respected as an executive and community worker. American capital in Northern Ireland is estimated at about £100m, the Dupont plant representing the largest single injection since the war. Foreign investment plays a key part in the Government's plans for rescuing Ulster's ail-ing economy. Before the shooting of Mr Agate on Wednesday the worst single atrocity officials from the Department of Commerce had had to cope with was the still unsolved kidnap-ping three years ago of Mr Thomas Niedermayer, then managing director of the Grundig plant in Belfast.

Determined efforts were being made yesterday to reassure potential investors, but Government officials acknowledge privately that the murder of Mr Agate could not have come at a worse moment Today a trade mission consisting of Ulster businessmen, sponsored by the Northern Ire-land Chamber of Commerce, is due to begin a 21-day trip to the Middle East trying to im-press the Arabs of Northern Ireland's potential.

omy, will spend four days with the team. Other trips to Scan-dinavia and Australia and New Zealand are planned.
Mr Agate, aged 58, was the third Londonderry businessman to be murdered in the past year. His carefully planned kill-

ing represents a further development in the so-called economic warfare, which is playing an increasingly large part in the Provisional IRA's campaign.

Campaign.

Mr James Slater, head of the Northern Ireland branch of the CBI of which Mr Agate was vice-chairman, held urgent talks with Dupont executives yesterday and later promised that there would be no panic among the local business community.

munity.

Dupont indicated that the killing will not affect its Ulster operations. Employees yesterday paid tribute to Mr Agate, "a warm, humorous and comwarm, humorous and compassionate man".
Death list': As union industrial, church, and los-

government figures issued statements condemning the murder, the Rev Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionist party, said he believed Mr Agate was the first victim on a Provisional IRA "VIP death list" (the Press Association reports).

tion reports).

He said he had information that "in the coming days the IRA will embark on a whole spate of sensational killings including industrialists and important persons in the community". The RUC would not comment on the suggestion. Murder charge: Eamon McDermott, aged 19, of Clarence Avenue, Londonderry, was charged at Londonderry

Petty Session yesterday with the The importance attached to nurder of Det Constable the mission is shown by the fact that Mr Concannon, Minister Londonderry with responsibility for the econ-writes).

Tories plan Ulster talks

tive frombench spokesman on Northern Ireland, is to visit Ulster for private talks with representatives of the Social and Democratic Labour Party, the United Ulster Unionist Movement, and the Alliance Party,

A verdict of death by mis-adventure was recorded by Mr T. E. Gardiner, the coroner, on Mr. Herbert, Ernest Smart, of Mr Neave said: "These talks will cover matters on which the Conservative Party has not yet announced a firm policy. I hope they will be the first of several rounds of talks embrac-ing all the main Northern Ireblood was of a very rare type

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negative anti-body. There were
only four units in Britain, of
abour a pint each, and only
six in Europe. They were kept
for emergency treatment of land parties.

Points to be discussed will Families to be rehoused Fourteen Glasgow families are to be rehoused by the district council after homes were damaged yesterday by flooding, the second time in four months.

of authority in the health service. That made for competition between the tiers and a lack

of clarity and speed in making

The memorandum suggests that regional authorities should

be discontinued as decision making units. The *line

making units. The time management "principle, under which each tier in the service tries to tell those below what to do, embodied in the 1974 reorganization of the service, is

Trained staff are accustomed

to making important decisions

about patients' care and it seems illogical and unworkable

to put any group, administra-tors, doctors or others, in authority over other groups. Management of the service should involve the devolution of power from the hierarchies.

On the question of whether

the health service is working in the public interest, the memorandum says reorganiza-

tion put only two or three weak

checks on it : Parliament, com-

munity health councils, and the

Health Service Commissioner

(Ombudsman).
Parliament and the Ombuds-

man have neither the time nor the resources to challenge the enormous health service

bureaucracy or the strong pro-fessions within it. Community health councils, after a lively start, are declining in power.

resources for research work and

greater access to documents.

unsuitable for health care.

decisions.

legislative devolution; the value of establishing a regional administrative council or councils for Northern Ireland, and means of improving Northern Ireland representation at West-minster and in Europe. The possible value of estab-

lishing a joint select committee of Lords and Commons on Northern Ireland, reestablishing a post of Queen's Representation and Commons on Commons and Commons of Comm tative, and setting up a Council of State to consider Ulster legislation will also be examined.

Teachers end action

The National Union of Teachers has called off industrial action by members in 280
Laucashire schools after obtaining assurances on staffing and supply teachers.

superficial gesture.

Other home news, page 16

Union leader In brief

Plea to minister on school dispute Mrs Williams, Secretary of

State for Education and Science, has been urged by Mr John Wilson, chairman of Staffordshire Education Com-Mr Tom Jackson, general secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers, and his deputy, Mr Norman Stagg, have mittee, to use her powers to insist that Newcastle-under-Lyme's two endowed schools, Newcastle High School (boys) and Orme Girls' School, accept rejected an invitation to visit South Africa to meet trade unionists and political leaders. its comprehensive plans. day that the decision to invite the two men had been taken because "Mr Jackson deemed it necessary to publicly slander

The governors of the two schools oppose the plans and have investigated the possibility of becoming completely inde-pendent. The committee sees the two schools as vital parts of its programme. and genuine gesture on our Historic house for sale

Highham Court, near Gloucesfor them to meet South African ter, is being sold because it trade union and political leaders. Their rejection of this offer to observe for themselves costs its owner, Mr Thomas Fentor, too much to maintain developments that they were

it. The 26-bedroom house was built in 1660. Pose as policemen Four men, who posed as policemen, tied up and robbed

2 family of £9,000 worth of goods in Main Road, West Kingsdown, Kent, yesterday.

Ballot by policemen Policemen in West Yorkshire are to be asked in a ballot by their union, the Police Feder ation, if they want the right to can Embassy, Mr Stagg says in strike.

Child dies in fire

this reply to the invitation that the union's boycott of South African mail was planned as a protest against the banning of Gary Harrison, aged 6, died in an early morning fire at his terrace home at Leta Street, Birkenhead, yesterday.

Devolution effects In The Times Higher Education

Supplement today, Sir Hugh Robson and Mr Alexander Main discuss the effects devolution might have on Scottish higher education. Mr David Storey, the novelist criticizes the "artificial psuedo-writing" he thinks is encouraged by university English departments.

Joblessness dominates youth rally His audience was not entirely tougher this year even than

By Penny Symon

Sir Harold Wilson, MP, in puckish mood, yesterday gave 1,300 young people hims for a successful working life. He advised them not to study documents, Cabinet papers, for example, at meal times, because it upsets the digestion. But the stark fact was that many of the delegates at the

Youth Charter towards 2,000 " conference in London were among the unemployed 48,000 who left school last summer.

Mr John Cassels, director of the Manpower Services Commission, describing what he called "this blot on our country", said: "All the signs are that the going will be

About 300,000 youngsters who left school each year, he added, went into jobs where they had little or no further training. The numbers were higher than in many other Western countries, but at least those 300,000 obtained work.

Mr Cassels emphasized what

the Government was doing to help—for example, the job-creation scheme, which had provided 60,000 temporary places, the work-experience programme and the subsidizing of 44,000 training opportunities in industry. "We have done in industry. "We have done quite a lot, but I cannot claim that it is anywhere near enough", he said.

convinced. "What is the point of a temporary job if you are just going back to the dole queue afterwards?" one asked him. Another said: "School is meaningless because you work for CSE or O levels but then find that you cannot get a job in which you could make use of those qualifications." Sir Arnold Weinstock, managing director of the General Electric Company, said the chal-lenge for youth was to realize

its duty to become part of the wealth-producing process for the general good "But our affairs have been so arranged as positively to dis-

courage the young from seeking their careers in industry."

Bread discounts of 30p in pound offered

Offers by a small bakery in the Midlands of bread discounts to grocers of 30p in the pound were reported in the industry yesterday. That is the largest discount offered for more than two years and provides greater scope than ever for cutting

The offers came immediately after the United Road Trans-port Union had decided to stop industrial action against grocers were fixed before at a maximum of 22 p in the pound.

Vaccination advice soon By Our Medical Correspondent A leading authority on virus

Detailed guidance for doctors disease, Professor Alastair on the selection of children for Dudgeon, said at the Institute vaccination is expected from the Central Health Services of Child Health in London yes-terday that the value of the Council next week, after Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for vaccination programme is not Social Services, has made a statement in the Commons on in doubt, but he emphasized that doctors and others con-cerned with immunization of patients with brain damage attributed to vaccine reactions. children need specific advice on The expert advisory commit-tee on vaccination and immun-

the circumstances in which vaccines should be withheld. Another important step would be further encourage-ment to doctors to report any ization has been examining ways of identifying any features in a child's medical background that might increase the risk of adverse reactions in children who sold large wrapped loaves reaction to a vaccine: for ex- under their care, for it seemed for less than 18p. Discounts ample, a family history of con- that at present only a small vulsions and any damage or disease of the brain proportion of reactions are officially notified.

or June, most probably in London, will loom large in the discussions. The French Government would like the meeting between France and which now amounts half the total French to be preceded by a meeting of the European Council, in order to determine a common Eurobut in this and other it is not healthy, as pean strategy on the economic problems that will be dis-Giscard d'Estaing tole that "Europe should of which the chief ph German". President Another main theme of the d'Estaing would like discussions is East-West relato give a boost to re Western Europe, in new American Administration on the subject of detente. There is some fear in Paris and Bonn of a "destabilizahelp restore a bette

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Chances for | EEC driv JET project look better

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

The future of the European nuclear fusion research project (JET), which has been subject to bitter controversy within the Community for more than a year, looked marginally brighter vesterday.

The improvement in the pros-pects of the research project,

chances of settling the dispute, in which France has become the main stumbling block, at a Council of Ministers in two months' time. The situation appeared irretrievable towards the end of December, with Dr. Guido Brunner, the newly appointed Commissioner for Energy, threatening rhat unless the argument was settled within a month or two the project would be allowed to collapse.

On the surface the difficulty seems to stem from an inability to choose which country should provide the site for JET (which stands for Joint European ent on imports for 5: Torus). Culham, Oxfordshire, of its energy needs and Garching, Germany, are the about the same le two sites most favoured

atomic fe From Michael Hornsb Brussels, Feb 3

regarded by many as the longterm answer to energy supplies, followed discussions between Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary for Energy, and Herr Hans Matthoefer, the West German Minister for Research. Their talks have restored the

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between the partner EEC.

WEST EUROPE.

Today's Franco-German sum-

Another reason is that the

A big campaign mounted by the Europ mission aimed at c public opinion in the nuclear energy and to of the fears about to of nuclear plants are r Herr Guido Brun

Commissioner in cher Community's energy p here today that memb public felt "they a steamrollered by play going to be lumbered ing conditions they agreed to."

These anxieties w responsible for worry in building new nucl he said. To invol opinion in the debat planning to hold a seri hearings of recognize on nuclear problems interested lobby gro also take part.

Putting the case it energy, Herr Brunne latest estimates sho in spite of some pr wards greater self-s the EEC would still i

Court hearing fails to e Copenhagen press strik From Geoffrey Dodd The unions, repre-

Copenhagen, Feb 3

A preliminary labour court A preliminary labour court plaint that Berling hearing today failed to bring ignored valid labour agreement between the Berl- by changing work I ingske publishing house and graphic trades unions. A fullscale hearing is to be held next wweek. The newspaper, Berlingske

Tidende, and the mass circula-tion B.T. have not been pub-lished since last weekend.

Tidende, and the mass circula-recent days after members had ref lished since last weekend. The court at first ordered a

recess and urged both sides to strempt to reach an agreement which would allow publication to resume. When this failed, the court adjourned until Tuesday.
As the court's ruling is unlikely to be handed down until

stoppage can be expected to continue until the middle of At today's hearing, the Con-federation of Employers on behalf of Berlingske claimed

that constant obstruction and a refusal by technical staff to obey the management's direct bution would be to tions in introducing new work reasible from either (procedures, had created an inpapers had no choice but to unions on of both send the staff home and stop and in Holland and publication.

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has confirmed that it sidered the possibility ing the newspapers a paper in Denmark rumoured that the concern in Hamburg newspapers in Sweden could produce

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Journal has photograph Spanish kidnap victim

From Harry Debelius Madrid Feb 3

Two Spanish magazines were today hard on the heels of the kidnappers of a prominent politician and a high-ranking general. One said it had "unpublishable" photographs and
another is publishing an interview with a Canary Islands
rebel who claims he is in confinding a clue to be
about and the or in the
street with the astronicts who tact with the extremists who

The national weekly Interviu has acquired a series of photo-military tribunal, w graphs of Senor Antonio Maria abducted by members de Oriol, the kidnapped presi-same organization on dent of the Council of State, 24.

informed sources said pressure from the Go has prevented their pu They were taken, it

who disappeared 54 day being held by the s finding a clue to his abouts and that of Liv General Emilio Vi Quilis, president of the

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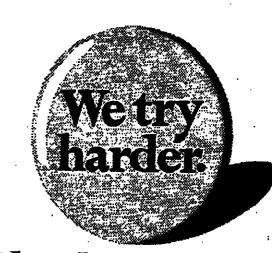
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WEST EUROPE_

Soviet willingness to negotiate on fishing heartens EEC

Brussels, Feb 3 The Soviet Union's new-found willingness to negotiate future fish catches in EEC waters was welcomed by the European Commission today as a first step towards a settlement of the overfishing dispute between Moscow and Brussels.

The Commission was responding to the disclosure that under Russians by the British Ambas-increasing pressure from the sador in Moscow. EEC the Russians are no longer But whether other EEC memcold-shouldering Community artempts to reduce their fishing in the North Sea.

Earlier this week, the Russians told the Foreign Office that they were prepared to parley with the British Government ernment in its capacity as acting chairman of the EEC's

The Russian move is seen as evidence that Moscow wants to avoid a "fish war" with the Community. It comes after last week's ultimatum from Brussels that the Soviet Union must comply with an EEC licensing up system for their fishing within deal 10 days or face outright banishment from Community waters. It Ar a press conference today, a Commission spokesman made it clear that Mr Roy Jenkins, the president of the Commisthe president of the Commission, and his colleagues would not risk fouling the talks with the Russians by insisting on leading the negotiations as is their legal right under the Community's treaties.

One of the main problems surrounding earlier attempts to negotiate with the Russians about fishing rights, or indeed General in the External Relations Department.

The creation of the new department, together with the appointment of a Dutchman, Mir Pietre Mathijsen, as head of the Regional Policy Directorate-General, completes the first stage of a reorganization of the Commission by Mr

by Liberal group By Our Political Editor to recognize the Community. Negotiations with the Commis

sion would, in the Soviet view, amount to de facto recognition.

ber states will continue to allow

the British Government to act on the Community's behalf dur-

ing its six month chairmanship of the Council of Ministers remains unclear. In the past,

To underline the importance

up a separate department to deal exclusively with the prob-

It will probably be headed by a new Irish Director-General, Mr Eamon Gallagher,

at present a deputy Director General in the External Rela-

Although the Lileral and Democratic Group in the European Parliament believes that the "first past the post" system of elections in Britain will To circumvent Soviet objections, the Community has been seriously distort the balance of dealing with Moscow by way of London. Last week's EEC ultimatum was delivered to the a directly elected Parliament next year, it concluded yester-day that it would be far better for Britain to legislate now for direct elections than to be the odd man out within the Nine.

called for

For the first time the group held an international meeting in London this week, and in so doing, with the Socialist Group in the European Parliament, heralded the arrival of a new kind of international politics, with cross-frontier parties put-ting forward a single mani-

the Benelux countries, in parti-cular, have been reluctant to hand over the Commission's role as EEC negotiator to acting chairmen of the Council. The Liberal and Democratic Group will finally approve its manifesto for direct elections in 1978 at the end of this year. developing fisheries policy, the Commission also announced today that it would be setting

"We are forging a new multi-national party," Mr Russell Johnston, Liberal MP for Inver-ness and a member of the European Parliament, said as the group's conference closed yesterday. "It is a new politi-cal exercise in Europe and a demanding one."

But he showed his anxiety that the British Government. though committed to direct elections in May or June 1978, had not brought forward a Bill yet. Nor had it agreed to proportional representation, being the only country in the Nine clinging to the "first past the post" system of elections. OVERSEAS.

Election Bill South Africa explains pull-out from Angola South Africa explains pull-out from Angola

Johannesburg, Jan 3
Almost a year after South
African troops withdrew from
Angola the Defence Depart ment today released an official account of its involvement in the Angolan civil war during the second half of 1975 and

early 1976.
According to this account, there were never more than 2.000 South Africans assisting the two pro-Western forces, Unita (Union for the Total Independence of Angola) and FNLA (National Liberation Front). Despite the far larger size of the Cuban-backed MPLA (Popular Movement)— the Cubans were estimated to the Cubans were estimated to have had about 15,000 men in Angola at the peak of the war—the Defence Department claims the South African force and its allies reached within 70 miles of the capital, Luanda, and could have easily conquered the whole country.

They did not do so the

They did not do so, the statement said, because the Unita leader, Dr Jonas Savimbi, hoped that by restoring his authority in his traditional area of influence in southern Augola, he would be a present the formation of the southern the formation of the southern the formation the formation of the southern the formation the formation of the southern the formation the formation the southern the formation the southern the formation the southern the formation the southern th able to negotiate the formation of a national government with the MPLA. Dr Savimbi wanted to avoid involving his country in a bloody struggle and for this reason South Africa decided to help "on a limited scale."

A Government spokesman said it had been decided to release details of South Africa's involvement in a presence which was Angolarepeatedly denied at the time by senior South African ministers—after an account of the Angolan war published in the Sunday Telegraph in London

successes against the Cuban-backed forces The Government may have ever hopes Unita still retained

also been influenced by the of winning black African suppublication last month of a port for its continued guerrilla Cuban-authorized version operations in Angola. It was a which porrrayed the war as a victory over South

There can also be little doubt that South Africa is bitter at having to carry the full blame for what happened in Angola. Leaders here do not hide their feelings that they were let down by the West— and by the United States in particular—for encouraging South Africa to become involved and then abandoning it in mid-battle. This sense of betrayal partly explains South Africa's present "go-it-alone"

The Defence Department statement makes no reference to such political issues. It gives three main reasons for South Africa's initial involvement. These were to defend the Cunene River hydro-electric and irrigation scheme; to carry out "hot pursuit" operations against guerrillas from Swapo (South-West Africa People's Occasional based in ple's Organization) based in southern Angola; and because Unita and the FNLA appealed for support against "Com-

The statement removes any remaining doubts about the degree of complicity between degree of complicity between column" which advanced the South Africans and Unita swiftly up the coast, covering and FNLA, and in doing so nearly 2,000 miles in 30 days. It was held up briefly in the

munist infiltration".

operations in Angola. It was a combined South African-Unita-FNLA operation from start to

Bitterness in Pretoria over 'betrayal' by the

West after army's spectacular

According to the Defence Department's account, the South African Army first became involved on September 24, 1975, when an officer was sent to Silva Porto (now Bie) in cen-tral Angola to help plan an operation to stop an advance by the MPLA on Nova Lisboa (now Huambo), the country's second largest city 90 miles to

(In fact a detachment of South African troops had taken up defensive positions round the Cunene Dam project southern Angola a month earlier, although this was not referred to in the official ver-

As the war became more conventional, more South African troops, vehicles and equipment were sent to Angola and ment were sent to Angola and two separate South Africa-Unitz-FNLA forces were formed. The first, named "Foxbat", operated in central Angola around Nova Lisboa and the other, named "Zulu", started advancing northwards from southern Angola. This was the famous "flying

their first direct contact with the Cubans, who shelled them with heavy mortars and 122mm rocket launchers (the famous "Stalin's organs"). These wea-

sent to the "Zulu" force.

The column then continued its advance along the coast to Novo Redondo, which was captured on November 13. Two

was advancing along the coast the "Foxbat" force was seiz-ing towns in the centre of the country. In one action a Cuban general was killed.

pendence, according to the Defence Department's account, the South Africa/Unita/FNLA force, controlled a 500-mile line stretching from north of Lohio to Combo and

Africans experienced pons were superior to anything the South Africans had and as

days after Angola became inde-pendent from Portugal.

By the date of Angola's inde-

Lobito to Santa Comba and then eastwards to Luso. There were then only about 300 South African troops inside Angola as well as a limited number of armoured cars, mortars and anti-tank weapons.

It was at this stage that
Cuban troops and Soviet-made
weapons started pouring in to
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Marxist programm for Mozambique

Johannesburg, Feb 3 "Once again the people of Mozambique must accept a new battle", President Samora Machel declared during a seminar last November to pave the way for the third congress of Frelimo (the Mozambique Liberation Front), which began in Maputo today.

"The first stage, leading the people to independence, is over; but now, in the second stage, our task is the building of socialism,", he said. "That is what the congress demands: the building of socialism in

The new congress—the third since Frelimo was formed in 1962 and the first since the from Portugal in June, 1975-will determine what sort of socialist path the country will follow. Judging from the slo-gans and propaganda which have been carried on the radio and in the newspapers, it will be a socialism that is based firmly on Marxist-Leninist

The state-controlled radio has been running a series of the virtues of Marxism and punctuated with slogans such as "Long live scientific socia-lism", and "Long live the

letariat has been pre the highest form of c that the "scientific ic the proletariat" will

capitalism.
The congress i attended by fraterna tions from a host munist countries, incl. Soviet Union, Cuba, many, Poland, Roma North Korea, Repreformer Portuguese t of Angola, Guinea-Bi: Sao Tome and Prin tions from the Comm socialist parties in Por One significant ab munist Party. This is to emphasize China declining influence

bique and in south The congress expected to give a tion of solidarity fo the South-West Africa Organization (Swapo)

Salisbury suspects collu over pupils' removal

From Our Correspondent Salisbury, Feb 3

Collusion between guerrilla fighters and someone inside the Manama mission school led to the departure of the 400 boys and girls to Botswana, a senior Rhodesian police officer

Chief Superintendent Christopher Carver, officer command-ing the Gwanda area, says there were people at the mission run the Evangelical Lutherans from Sweden who were in sympathy with the guerrillas. However, he had no proof of his

He also admitted that some of the 230 boys and 170 girls may have gone of their own

The Rhodesian Government claims that the pupils, aged up to 20 years, were taken at gun-point by guerrilla's last Sunday night. The Botswana Govern-ment says they left of their own accord. The International Red Cross is planning an on-the-spot investigation. About 30 of the children and some of the staff have returned to the .

mission.
Superintendent Carver said:
"We warned these people that
this sort of thing might happen and gave the headmaster instructions on what to do if guerrillas came to the school. But his telephone was out of order that night. We had patrols in the area anticipating any abduction."

Asked about alleg the Botswana Govern the pupils had been by curfew erea, he mission was not in Several of the pupi their arrival at Selibi Botswana that they join the "freedom fig Mr Joshua Nkomo or satisfied with the con Rhodesia.

However.

photographs of some children and staff v back saying they ducted. In the opinion sters now at Selibi P had denied being abd vent the pupils being guerrilla training. N Van Der Byl, the M Foreign Affairs, to parents to see them. I minors and still su

parental guidance and he said. Mr Ian Smith, th Minister, is to hold a press conference on Fa first since winning Rhodesian Front Party executive last week to cies on settlement

Pardon proposed for Polish riot leaders

Warsaw, Feb 3.—Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish Communist leader, in an attempt to conciliate public opinion and undermine opposition, said tonight he had recommended a pardon for workers who led last summer's food riots.

He was speaking at the Ursus tractor plant near Warsaw, where workers, angered at a 60 per cent food rise without consultation, ripped up railway

lines on June 25.

Mr Gierek said he had proposed to the Council of State the setting up of a commission to study a pardon for workers who regretted their actions last

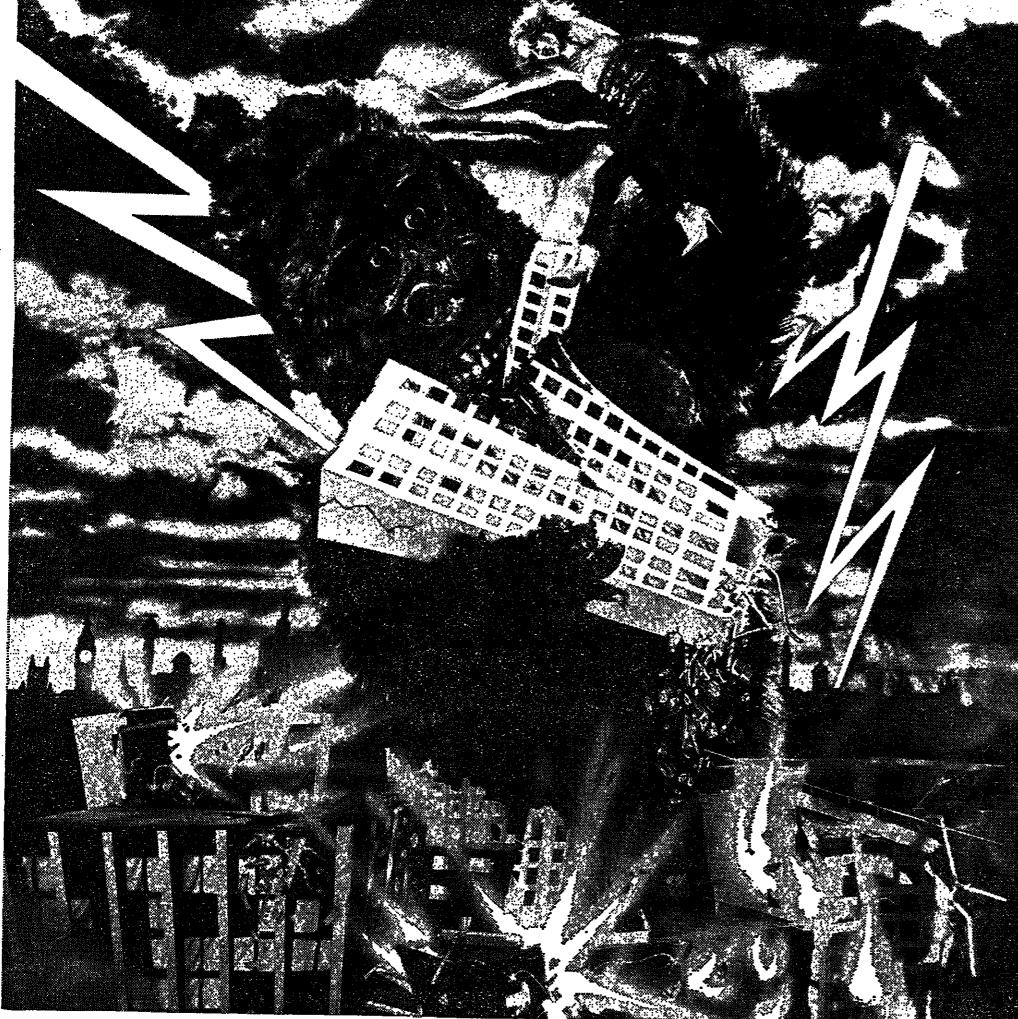
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| Salyut 4 end: its mission over the Pac

Moscow, Feb 3.—Th space station Salyut was launched more t years ago and housed monaut crews, has disu over the Pacific Oce reported today.

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Salyut 4 had the lon most successful career craft in the six-year-ol space laboratory progre



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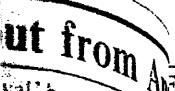
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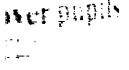
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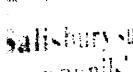


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rials said that a great progress had been narrowing the The banks had their demands and the ad dropped some of

Four small nations have worst ship losses

ng of the pipes for President Amin's rescued guests played by the two pipers who were lost

£35,000 inventors' prizes

innovations to help developing

By Michael Baily

Shipping Correspondent Three-quarters of all ships lost at sea last year were registered in four nations-Liberia, Panama, Greece, and Cypruswhich between them have less than a third of total world sbipping.

This is revealed today by the Liverpool Underwriters Association in its Casualty Returns for 1976 which show that for the fifth successive year more than a million tons of shipping-208 vessels totalling 1,206,000 rons -was reported totally lost out of a world fleet of 370 million

The association comments: "It has unfortunately become fact that ships registered under flags of convenience and in greater part of the year's losses. Even so, the figure of 52 losses sustained by one flag, Panama, must constitute a melancholy

record. Besides Panama's 52 ships totalling 208,000 tons lost, Liberia lost 20 totalling 362,000 tons, Greece 25 totalling and Cyprus totalling 105,000 tons. Britain, with a tenth of the world fleet lost one ship of 1,600 tons. Panama is setting up a ship inspection service like one already operated by Liberia, and the association hopes it will be pressed ahead vigorously But it adds that even with this service Liberia lost 0.49 per cent of its fleet compared with a world figure of only 0.33 per cent last year.

Ner pupil, a Argentine prisoners eatened with death'

ives of 40 political being held in La Plata, are in immediate ccording to information to Olmos prison, which is used Amnesty International exclusively for common crimi-

risoners are said to ers. Secor Ernesto Villarmer dean of the Uni-f Buenos Aires, Señor iana, son of the educa-ister under the Peron nt, and two journalists, luardo Jozami, who is wyer and was leader of alists union, and Señor azes Camarero, who or El Combatiente. isoners, who all have is with armed groups, the Montoneros, were y would be shot if were taken for the two Montonero lead-ors Dardo Cabo and riz.

nals and women political prison According to the Buenos Aires newspaper La Razon, the lorry carrying the prisoners was attacked outside La Plata, allegedly by guerrillas trying to free the prisoners. In the shootout, six of the attackers and the

Senor Cabo and Senor Unit

were killed in curious circum

stances on January 6 as they were being transferred after

midnight from La Plata prison

two prisoners were killed. None of the guards was wounded. Immediately afterwards, according to the Amnesty report, the 40 prisoners were taken from their cells and told by two hooded men that they would die if there was any re-prisal for the two deaths. A number of other prisoners were severely assaulted, one report-edly having an eye poked out.

drops plan ycott h trade

n, Feb 3.—Iran today the threat of a boycott 1 goods and services cause, it said, the ids Government was ved in a forthcoming of Iranian dissidents. isn Ministry statement stigation had revealed Dutch Government had o do with the planned in The Hague on Feb-and 19. eting is organized by h branch of Amnesty

nal and opposed by

Montreal police end go-slow after four days

Montreal, Peb 3.-Montreal police today ended a four-day go-slow organized to put pres sure on pension negotiations A police spokesman said the 5,200-man force had resumed normal patrols. The end of the go-slow came as Quebec pro-vincial police stood by to take over crime patrol and traffic duties in Montreal.

The Montreal Public Security Council had refused to nego tiate the main issue of pension funds while the police go-slow continued in Canada's biggest city.---AP.

Feb 3.—East Germany e a direct approach to ern allies, asking them tore for the East Germotives that pull the ilitary trains between many and Berlin.

cupying powers, the itain, France and the States, have always the Soviet Union as portate authority with discuss such matters, Germany.

According to the Berliner Morgenpost, which disclosed the move today, the allies will maintain their view that rail access to Berlin is a question for the four powers. There was

no official comment, however. The present scale of charges was worked out by the Russians and the allies, but is paid by the West German railway system, which services the allies' trains, according to the newspaper.--AP.

Ugandan helicopter lost for 24 hours

rom Our Correspondent Nairobi, Feb 3

An Ugandan military helicopter missing for more than 24 hours with four whites and five Ugandans on board has returned safely to Uganda, Kampala radio announced to-

The helicopter crossed the border into southern Sudan on Wednesday with a party of specialists who were to repair the de Havilland Twin Otter which made a forced landing inside Sudan last weekend while carrying 16 Britons and six Ugandans, all of whom were

The group also brought back the Otter, which had suffered only slight damage in its landing.

Carter envoy commences tour of Africa

Nairobi, Feb 3.-Mr Andrew sentative at the United Nations, arrived in Zanzibar today on his first visit to Africa since taking up his appointment.

On arrival, he said he wanted to hear from African leaders their own ideas on ways to solve the problems of southern Africa and what they expected from the United States.

prizes for inventors of at least S60,000 (£35,000) each are to be awarded by the Swedish Inventors' Association for innovations to help developing innovations related to reafforest to the first awards, in 1986, would be for innovations related to reafforest to the first awards and with mentions. His next stop will be in Tanzania, where he will meet President Nyerere

Tough Sadat measures to avert more riots

From Our Correspondent Cairo, Feb 3

President Sadat tonight ced harsh measures to head off a recurrence of last mouth's bloody riots over price increases which the Government later cancelled.

In his first speech to the nation since the disturbances of January 18 and 19, in which about 80 people were killed and 800 injured, he said Egypt was threatened with "a criminal and horrible plot" to overthrow the regime and to destroy its the regime and to destroy its institutions He blamed the communists,

strongly implying the Soviet Union for instigating the disturbances which he described as very dangerous. The plotters, he said, would never get away,
"I shall never forgive them".

President Sadat said the
draft law, which will be put to
a nationwide plebiscite in a
week's time, would guarantee
the freedom to form political

the freedom to form political parties within the law but ban the formation of secret hostile and para-military groups.

Those found guilty of this offensive would be punished by hard labour for life.

Demonstrations, strikes and sit-ins aimed at harming the country's economy will be banned, the offenders being liable to hard labour and people found guilty of damaging public or private property will get life

Mr Sadat acknowledged the Government was mistaken in increasing the price of staple foods, but he declared this should not have led to the riots and damage of public and pri-

where, but they should be dis-cussed in a legal way within the legislative and other bodies",

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He ridiculed claims by communists and others of the left that the riots were a popular outborst. It was an outborst of thefts, looting and destruc-tion. I shall never forgive them for carrying out this criminal and horrible plot."

He went on to claim that hostile elements, which insti-gated the troubles, had exploited the Progressive Unionist leftist party by using its stationery in ordering its followers to stage demonstrations in various towns.

Mr Sadat declared he was not planing or accusing the party. "I pray to God it (the party will no be incriminated." In recent press interview Mr Khaled Mohiedin the party leader, said about 100 members had been arrested in connexion with the riots.

The President, who dismissed Mr Sayed Fahmi, the Interior Minister, in a limited Cabinet reshuffle two days ago, said he was not intimidated by the

Throughout his speech Mr bitterly criticized Soviet Union, which he said was opposed to his political and economic liberalization measures. He also said that since the

late 1960s and until he ousted a number of top officials in 1971, including former Vice-President Ali Sabri, the Soviet influence had covered all the country's political institutions and the communists were in every key post.

Libya said to be expelling **Syrians**

Damascus, Feb Libyan Ambassador in Damascus has been ordered by his Government to return home. well-informed Arab sources said today amid reports that Libya has deported large num-bers of Syrian workers and confiscated their money.

The envoy, Mr Ahmed bin Khayyal, was still at his post here today, and there was no confirmation of reports that air-liners were already flying expelied Syrians from Libya to

Political sources, reporting that Syria had asked Libya to clarify whether deportations were taking place, said they would be astonished by such a

According to the Arab sources, Mr bin Khavyal was recalled after the arrest by Syrian troops in Lebanon of Lieutenant Ahmed al-Khatib, leader of the breakaway Lebanese Arab Army.

Lieutenant Khatib, who led

a mutiny by mostly Muslim troops against the Lebanese Army a year ago, was arrested by Syrian peacekeeping forces between Beirut and Sidon two weeks ago and brought to Damascus with two other ebanese Arab Army officers,

informed sources said. It was not known whether they were being held here, but the Syrian action apparently provoked Colonel Gaddafi, the ibyan leader, who regarded the young lieutenant as a rising Muslim leftist.—Reuter,



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* Mr.D.L. Epps. Near Tonbridge, Kent: "I own a 1972 Datsun Bluebird 160B which I have now driven for over 98,000 miles. When I bought this car, I gambled that it might turn out to be reliable and economical. On both counts it has exceeded all expectations ... I cannot praise this car enough?

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* Mr. W. Luck, Luck School of Motoring, St. Ives, Cambridgeshire: "My 1973 Datsun Sunny has covered 218,275 miles and is still. running well on the same engine. It has not had an easy life, being a driving instructor's car for four years. Thank you for a car which has given such a wonderful service, a car which cannot be beaten."

* Mr. G. Davies, Snowdon School of Motoring, Caernarion: "My Sunny 4-door saloon has done 158,000 miles and has never let me down. The first replacement was a new clutch plate at 147,000 miles. I go out in the morning and I know I am going to do a full day's work."

* Mr. Bob Davis, Air Call Communications Ltd., Dunstable, Beds: "We have over 80 Datsuns in the U.K. equipped with radio telephones in use 24 hours a day doing very high mileage sometimes on emergency medical calls. We have tried other cars and came back to Datsun because we must have the reliability and low running costs."

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Mrs Gandhi

brands

Congress

Mrs Indira Gandhi, Indian Prime Minister, today

made a scathing attack on Mr

Congress Party yesterday in

protest against the continuance

of the emergency.

She said: "We did not want
to do it (impose the emer-

gency) but there was a grave conspiracy to deflect the country from the path along which it was marching. But why

was he silent all these months?

The fact that the new party formed by Mr Ram would contest the forthcoming general election jointly with the Janata Front meant that it was a new alliance, she added. Mr Ram joined these very nearly when

joined those very people whom he had bitterly criticized.

A large number of Chief Ministers of Indian states accused Mr Ram of betrayal

particularly deplorable on the part of a man who had held

high office in the party and Government.
Our Calcutta Corresponden

writes: The Communist Party of India (Marxist), popularly known as Marxists to distin-

guish them from the pro-Moscow Communists, have made

an electoral pact with the

avoid a division of the anti-Congress vote in the coming

Paraguay frees

after 19 years
Havana, Feb 3.—Three communist leaders have been

released from prison in Para-guay after 19 years in jail, the

guay after 19 years in Jail, the Cuban news agency Prensa Latina reported today.

The report, quoting the Buenos Aires-based news agency Agencia Noticiosa Paraguay, said Antorno Maidana, Julio Rojas and Alfredo Acorta, all members of the central com-

'Pravda' call for

and there was a great lack of

Details on fare increases by

the Soviet airline Aeroflot were

given today by the Soviet trade

union newspaper Trud.
Tickets will cost on average

20 per cent more.—Agence France-Presse.

and the far north.

a wider

communists

Jagjivan Ram, the former Minister of Agriculture, who left the Government and the

defector From Kuldip Nayar

Delhi, Feb 3

Only 'occasional landing rights' for US at Masira

Americans not taking over Oman base from RAF, Sultan insists

By David Holden
Persistent reports that the
Americans will establish a military base in Oman after British and Iranian forces withdraw in the spring are being vigorously denied by the Sultan's Govern-

Quoting "a Western diplo-matic source" in Beirut, The Guardian, in a report this week. said Sultan Qaboos bin Said has agreed to grant base facilities to the United States Navy and Air Force on the island of Masira" in the Indian Ocean, off Oman's southern

This report was untrue, Mr Qais Zawawi, the Sultan's Foreign Minister, told me yesterday in a message from Muscat. The Oman Government had no intention of changing its mind on the issue.

After the departure of the remaining 200 RAF men on Masira at the end of March, Mr Zawawi said the island

Mr Zawawi said the island would be used "solely as a training establishment for the Sultan's Air Force".

This confirms what Sultan bires!

Qaboos told me himself in an interview at his winter palace in Salalah, his southern capital, two weeks ago. Referring to Moscow radio allegations of a secret deal with Washington over Masira, he said: "There is no truth in that at all. We never negotiated any agreement with the Americans for having a base on Masira.
"I have always said we are

well disposed rowards our friends and if a friend asks us for an aircraft to land, in normal circumstances, we would have no objection. But a base

would be a key issue in the latest round of the 19-nation East-West conference on force reductions, which has been deadlocked for three years over militare distributed.

Mr Willem de Vos van Steen-

Nato and Warsaw Pact statistics.

Speaking for Nato, he called for discussions to compare counting rules used by each side in preparing statistics.

that the Warsaw Pact has a

150,000-man advantage in

ground force deployments in Central Europe.

Poland, speaking for the War-saw Pact, said that Nato was

seeking unilateral advantages by asking the communist alli-ance to make the biggest cuts.

The Soviet block disputed the existence of disparities favour-

Plan to change

defamation laws

Sydney, Feb 3.—The Austra-han Law Reform Commission has proposed changes in the defamation laws in relation to

newspapers, radio and tele-

One of the proposed changes would give the news media the right to publish any accurate

right to publish any accurate report of a statement by a named person so long as it was published for the public's information and the person concerned was given the right of reply. Truth would be the ultimate defence in any suit.

Another change would end "stop-writs"—which the com-mission said were taken out to

stifle comment and discussion.

Australian

Mr Slawomir Dabrowa,

Western alliance says

military disparities.

East-West agreement

to study troop figures

pressed readiness today for a press conference.
point-by-point study of disputed The negotiators

pinpoint discrepancies between 805,000 ground troops.

Vienna, Feb 3.—Nato and equilibrium of forces in Central Warsaw Pact negotiations ex Europe, Mr Dabrowa told a

point-by-point study of disputed manpower figures holding up a European agreement on troop reduction.

Both sides indicated that this would be a key issue in the point of the

package.

priorities.

wanted

existence of disparities favour-superiority in manpower, and ing the communist side, and "there is no point in an agree-believed that there was general ment of this kind".—Reuter.



thoughts after offer to Dr

Omani sources suggest that Moscow and other hostile parties—including the neighbouring Marxist government of South Yemen—are spreading the story in order to embarrass Sultan Qaboos and the Americans in Arab eyes.

The truth is, they say, that there was no more than a polite exchange of inquiries and compliments on the matter when the Sultan visited Washington in 1975. Dr Kissinger, then Secretary of State, is said to have asked then what would happen when the British left and the Sultan characteristically said the Americans would be wel-

But after second thoughts it as a mo objection. But a base out of the question I make a court of the question I make a specific properties of that obviously leaves open the question of how extensive such facilities might be, but the Sultan insists that they would be only occasional and that there will be no American personnel based on Masira.

But after second thoughts it was agreed that America would neither ask for nor receive more than the usual courtesies of occasional landing rights.

Two other factors have probably helped to promote the reports. First, the Americans are due to leave their present small

Both sides said that the issue

of statistics was important but

The statistical debate was

delegates because they believe

cal matters is possible until President Carter's Administra-tion fixes its negotiating

Mr Dabrowa said that state-

The Nato spokesman said at Communist countries anted to maintain their

Food and drink

bribery stigma

From Our Correspondent

Entertainment, wining and dining will not necessarily be regarded as evidence of bribery

in Hongkong, according to a statement by the Independent Commission Against Corrup-

tion. But government servants will still be under suspicious honoured guests at "lavish

A spokesman for the commis-sion emphasized that the defini-

in the Prevention of Bribery

cludes among other things any-gift, loan, reward, any offer, any other service or favour other

Ordinance (Section 2)

than entertainment".

freed from

Hongkong, Feb 3

lunches or dinners

that no real progress on politi-

within the next two years and will then have no permanent base nearer to the Gulf than Diego Garcia, the remote Indian Ocean atoll now being deve-loped by the American forces.

Second, Pan American will succeed the RAF as air traffic controllers at Salalah surport at the same time as the RAF departs from Masira. This is described, however, as a normal commercial arrangement in preparation for the expected use of Salalah by international air-

British presence on Masira has existed for many years. As an air staging post on the old route to Aden in one direction and Singapore in the other, it served 20 years ago as a link in the East of Suez strategy. An exchange of letters with the former Sultan in 1958 also confirmed Britain's right to its use in exchange for helping to arm and train the Sultan's own forces against the threat of internal rebellion.

But the scaling down of British power and the retreat to European horizons, along with the victory in the Dhofar war a year ago, have removed both justifications for the British

About 500 British seconded and contract officers will still remain in Oman after April,

remain in Oman after April, including Major General Kenneth Perkins, the present overall military commander.

But Omanis are taking over senior posts. In 1970 when Sultan Qaboos deposed his father in a palace coup, there were only 15 Omani officers. Now there are nearly 350 and an Omani commander-in-chief is expected to be named within expected to be named within five years.

The withdrawal of the 3,000

Iranian troops who helped to with the Dhofar war after their

Air Siam loses its licence

Bangkok, Feb 3.—The Government today revoked the operating licence of Thailand's privately-owned international airline, Air Siam.

The airline temporarily suspended its flights early last month with company officials disclosing a 350m bahr (about £10m) debt.

filom) debt.

The Government said the suspension of flights "without prior approval from the Communications Ministry" was among the reasons for revoking Air Siam's licence. It said the airline owed income tax and had no firm operating policy on should not be allowed to over-shadow other questions involving a first-stage reduction Nato figures show that the wijk, of The Netherlands, told Warsaw Pact deploys about the conference that the 12 925,000 ground troops in Central participating Western governments were ready for factual and businesslike discussions to block says that it is shown that the same participation of the same part

> the business of Thailand's national flag carrier, Thai International, by offering cheaper tickets, the Government added. Government announced last year that there should be only one national flag carrier.
> That International will take

all members of the central com-mittee of the banned Paraguayan Communist Party. released last Thursday. Señor Maidana, President of the Paraguayan party, was detained in 1958. According to Prensa Latina, Señor Rojas and Señor Acorta were tried and acquitted in the same year, but remained in jail.—Reuter.

range of shops

Moscow, Feb 3.—The Soviet
Communist Party today called
for better services from the
light manufacturing and buildhad no firm operating policy on many commercial routes where ing industries. flying rights had been awarded. A resolution published in the The airline had also damaged party newspaper Pravau indica-ted that services were inade-quate throughout the country.

Air Siam has claimed it faced financial problems since the

ments on disarmament by Mr Carter and his aides had been "positive" and the Soviet block was waiting for the Western side to reconsider its over Air Siam's Bangkok-Hong Kong-Tokyo service immediately

A meeting with Miss Poppins' maker

Doctor Dolittle, Peter Pan and Mary Poppins are all figures belonging loosely to the Edwardian era, all three of them inhabitants of a secure, untouchable world ruled by a sort of vaguely dotty magic, no less real for its implausibility. In fact both Dr Dolittle and Mary Poppins are character of such common sense and dependability that their magic is as plausible as any truth could be. But who invented them? Hugh Lofting and J. M. Barrie both acquired some sort of public identity before they died. Who was

P. L. Travers?

The answer is that P. L. Travers is not only alive, a woman—P standing for Pamela—and living in London, but that a Pamela—and living in London, but that a new Mary Poppins comes our on Monday after a silence of many years. To say this is to suggest that P. L. Travers is about to be described—her family, her background, her past, her life. The impression is false. Miss Travers is as loath to speak of herself as Mary Poppins is to reveal her "secret".

"I don't metter", she said almost fiercely when I asked her about therself.
"I'm of no account I'm a non type Who

"I'm of no account. I'm a non type. Who services, such as launderies and begat who in the Biole never interested repair shops, in eastern Siberia me in the least. I don't think that writers should be movie stars. They should be hens in a hutch." Miss Travers is not in Who's Who. She will not be photographed. And she is not easy to interview.

The facts about her life—it is surely an imperior of dig for them though

The main reason the Prince of Wales is going to West Africa

next month is to attend the

the temptation is overwhelming-are rarer than the very rare interviews she rarer than the very rare interviews she gives, ami can be found only in clues. She says that she grew up in the "sub-tropical regions of Australia", daughter of an Irish father who prized all things Irish, so that the maids, linen and myths of her childhood were all Irish. Early on, she longed to see the "real thing" so she saved up for her passage to England, and has been back to Australia only once in her life, eight years ago, to visit two

her life, eight years ago, to visit two sisters still living in Sydney.

Apart from the war, which she spent in America working for the Ministry of Information and with the Indians in Arizona and Mexico (why? Doing what?), she has made London her base, and today lives in made London her base, and today. lives in a neat terrace house off the King's Road, with a shocking-pink front door. The interior—bare, modern, well heated with lots of books and two Chinese prints gives nothing away.

Miss Travers appears to have neither the somewhat endearing vanity nor the incistreness of her heroine, although she shares her pointed nose. She is a gentle, slight woman, smartly dressed, probably with a clear, soft voice and a habit of say-ing: "Put what you think in your article. Not what I say." Her eyes are very pale blue, and sharp. I get the impression of an uncluttered and rather lonely country childhood, books read and reread until myth and legend became as strong as fact. Parable, allegory, legend, fairy stories,

Prince Charles will see school's celebrations

Achimota College:

and loved as a child: E. Nesbir, Poo. Wind in the Willows. Later, as an she pursued her interest into anthrop and mythology. There are several boo Jung in her bookcase, alongside Years a travel Scrabble on top). It is no c dence that one of her other books. F Monkey, is based on the legend c Indian monkey lord, Hanuman. Travers has also spent stretches of he lecturing, usually as writer-in-resider American universities like Radcliffe, and Claremont. "I refuse to teach ing", she says, "because I don't b it can be taught. But I talk about Think what that contains: it's like to

about the cosmos."

At some stage of her life Miss T:
has been a journalist, and she c
started writing both prose and poe
an early age. The first Mary Poppins
out in 1934; it has been followed, with gaps in between, by four sequels. The book, Mary Poppins in the Kitchen-bines a story with a selection of wholesome recipes I know childre make because I made them myseli child". There is shortbread, Lancashi

pot, and kedgeree.

If the theme has yielded somew.

contemporary fashion—there have
two recent Pooh cookbooks—Mary Pi
herself remains unchanged: an at sometimes daunting, essentially refigure in her starched and crackling-Nor has the formula that has reaseveral generations of readers over several generations of readers over 50 years altered at all: the bring order into chaos, safety into uncer Mary Poppins is always right, and dependable, even if she does slibanisters, and gets whisked into it hanging on to the end of her umbrelia.

What remains surprising is the to which Miss Travers absorbed minute details of a now long Edwardian London childhood, we having had one herself, though eve is less surprising than the fact that Poppins is a best seller in Japan (there are very few banisters) a Swariland (where there are Miss Travers attributes this succ

an innate, universal love of myt' magic, a love of what she cal "unplummable world" that cann "unplummable world" that cann pinned down by any near psychoana or anthropological theory. "Fairy I she says, "are not apt to go into an pocket". And "all fairy-tale charare something recollected, some dragged out of eternity."

Given her somewhat ethereal apt to fiction, she is surprisingly moler the film of Mary Poppins, and praise Andrews for conveying the imp

Andrews for conveying the imp qualities of innocence and integrity has always resisted any cartoon v however, on the grounds that cartooi tort "the human and animal form nothing of quality or 'being' ever of through them". Miss Travers has written a muni-

other books, that I would call for this but it is not a distinction she can make, preferring C. S. Lewis' remar "I would be inclined to say that written solely for children are by tion bad books". She is a true belie that ill-defined area between the pand the impossible, fantasy and use a realm she once described in a the gap between the first and last of midnight at the end of one ve the beginning of another, a gap st is very visible to children and still but "soldered over" for adults. --

Her last words to me were as as everything she said in the pleasa baffling hour I spent with her. Sh me with delight, that she had it heard of a Chinese ideograph, Pai, text it is in: "Explain" or may not say much about her, but i a good deal about our conversation

Caroline Moore Mary Poppins in the Kitchen, by Travers, Collins, 52.25.

Thai ammunition seized in guerrilla sanctuary

sands of pounds of ammunition for the Thai Army fell into the hands of communist guerrillas.

Lieutenant-General Pin Dhamasri, commander of the Thai Fourth Army based in southern Thailand, said during a visit to a Malaysian command post here that Thai Army bullets formed the bulk of an ammunition dump found in a big guerrilla camp in the Sadao area.

General Pin announced the inquiry after inspecting items seized by Malaysian and Thai forces in a joint operation against a sanctuary of the revolutionary faction of the Communist Party of Malaya.

The ammunition and their boxes bore the markings of the Royal That Army, General Pin said, adding that the army units issued with the bullets could be traced. The investigation would begin there. He believed the bullets had been sold on the black market and bought by communist agents. The commission tentatively adopted a suggestion from the cation that no money should be allowed in damages if a report was "published with a genuine belief in its truth, after making reasonable inquiries".

However, if government officials were involved, "excessive or lavish entertainment could be a breach of Civil Service regulations in Hongkong, thereby rendering the officer concerned liable for disciplinary action". ist agents. .

General Pin shares command of the anti-guerrilla operation with Major-General Datuk Mah-mood Sulaiman of Malaysia.

Padang Besar, Malaysia. Feb The Thai general came to Pad-3.—Thailand is to launch an ang Besar command post for a investigation into how thou briefing today. briefing today.

General Pin vowed the Thai

General Pin vowed the Thai Army would maintain its pressure against guerrillas in southern Thailand, whether they represented the Communist Party of Thailand or the Communist Party of Malaya.

"When the situation warrants, we will ask the Malaysians to come in again and help

sians to come in again and help us fight our common enemy he said.

he said.

The Thai general said both atmies had gained significant intelligence from the operation through documents and other items recovered in nine guerrilla camps, particularly regarding communications, command and control, and troop deployment.

Twenty-five supervillas were control, and troop deployment. Twenty-five guerrillas were killed by the Malaysian bombardment of the sanctuary. The general said he had irrefutable evidence that the Thai Communist Party was in collusion with the Malaya party's revolutionary faction. That is why the Thai party's clandestine radio, the People's Voice of Thailand, has been hitting out at the operation every night."—Agence France Presse.

Accra. It is a strange experience visiting the school. One stands beneath a tall clock tower that chimes the quarters like Big Ben, charting to the white, Cambridge educated headmaster. A scrolled pediment above has a Latin date, MCMXXVII; there is a chapel, a cricket oral there is a chapel, a cricket oval

inti an elegant pavilion, a number of well-designed "houses", with shutters and evertuaging roofs, tall trees and lawns.
The political passions of Accra seem a long way away; one almost expects to go round

the corner and anto the cathed-ral close at Winchester.

Yet Achimota succeeds in being both an example of the strongly surviving British influence (critics mutter about neo-colonialism) and a valued part of modern Ghanaian life.

Prince Charles will discover achies of a vicit to West echoes of a visit to West Africa in 1925 by his uncle, the Duke of Windsor, who was then Prince of Weles. Under the clock tower are two plaques. One says that in March, 1924, Sir Gordon Guggisberg, the great Governor of Chana from 1919 to 1927, who was the inspiration of Achimota, laid a foundation stone. The other is dated April, 1925, and says the Prince of Wales authorized the school to be called "Prince of Wedes College", a name that later faded and died.

Guggisberg, an awkward out-sider of a man who was later shamefully neglected by the British establishment, is fondly remembered in Ghana for his passionate belief in the worth of Ghanaian people—an un-fashionable belief in his day. They deserved the best education that could be provided, he argued, and he fought gallant battles to get Achimota establisted at huge cost—£800,000 to build, which was something

more than just a relic of Britain Achimota is that of Dr James Kwegyir Aggrey, the Ghanaian educationalist who is chiefly

enucationalist who is chiefly remembered now for his saying "You can play a tune of sorts on the white keys and you can play a tune of sorts on the black keys, but for harmony you must use both black and white." This has given Achimota its crest, a shield of piano keys. tiftieth consiversary celebra-tions of a Ghanaien school— Achimota College, just outside He took a big part in planning the school and was known as "First Member of the Staff

Interestingly, he could not be just "Vice Principal", because that would mean his acting as principal sometimes, which was unthinkable for a black man, even in these enlightened circles. He died while on a visit to America shortly after the school opened.

The school has had its vicissitudes over 50 years. The first element established was a element established was a kindergarten, with boarders of three years old, incredibly. (Now the youngest is six.) Then a reachers' training college moved in, with one of the first students a young, man called Kwame Nkrumah. Later parts of the school became an archement of the school became an archement of the school became an embyro university (now at Legon, a few miles away). During the war half the buildings were British Army head-quarters, with Lord Swinton, the political officer, in the headmistress's house.

Now it is all school again, with 415 primary pupils (about half girls) and 1,150 in the secondary school, with about two boys to one girl. All are boarders, except children of the

of the Guggisberg theory: he thought it essential to "charthought it essential to "character training", and he distrusted mother's love. It is suggested that the extended African family, which means that a lot of people are normally involved in looking after a child, make it easier for him to settle down away from home. Fees have to be paid for the



hips and other forms of help

The school is divided into houses, on public school lines, with monitors to help the house masters, and prefects to help. the head The 1927 builders assumed

that the senior staff would always be expatriate, and that the unhealthy climate would preclude them bringing wives and children out—so a house-master's accommodation is tiny. In fact, there are now only two expatriate teachers (the headmaster being one), and the Ghanaian staff mostly have large families.

Guggisberg insisted that the education should emphasize African culture and be anchored in African reality: the two and a half square miles of grounds include a farm, which pupils help to work. He was criticized for this " condescension ". On the other hand, there have been many young Africans who see the school as foreign and

The present headmaster is Mr Alan Rudwick, who came to the school straight from Cambridge in 1951 thinking he to build, which was something boarding, but they are low— was going to teach for two
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Achimota. Kenneth Macke

Jamaica resumes quest for overseas partners

Discovery Bay, Jamaica, Feb 3 lamaica is to renew its quest for overseas partners, including socialist block countries, who will bring new capital investment to the economically troubled island, Mr Michael Manley, the Prime Minister. has announced here. It was one of his most important speeches since the general election six weeks ago which returned him to power with a big majority. Mr Manley said the country would not confine itself in its

America and the United King- lopment. The Prime Minister faced fierce opposition during the tion in any partnership agree-election campaign for his policy ment. This was "the principle

ships with Jamaica's Caribbean neighbours. Speaking after the signing

ceremony which gives Jamaica control over one of the big American bauxite mining companies on the island, Mr. Manley said that, while not intending to neglect its traditional friends, Jamaica's dedication to the principle of non-alignment and commitment to the ideology of democratic socialism. demanded that it should broaden

Jamaica would strive to in-clude Caribbean and socialist block countries as "real search for partners to "our block countries as "real traditional friends in North friends." in the quest for deve-

The Prime Minister outlined the one non-negotiable condiof building closer ties with that our people will never again Cuba. He has now made it clear be forced to sacrifice either that he will continue his their dignity or sovereignty to attempts to strengthen friend any overseas interest".

He added: "It is true that Jamaica needs foreign capital. But we will not seek to attract it if the price which we have to pay is the unbridled exploita-tion of our human and natural

resources."

Mr Manley, whose government is facing a chronic balance of payments deficit in a year which has been declared one of economic emergency, annually two wasks son a major nounced two weeks ago a major package of measures including stringent foreign exchange con-trols, higher taxes, and a six months freeze on prices and

He said there was now a solid belief in the possibility of attracting foreign capital. Jamaica would be looking for labour-intensive schemes that would help the country to develop management skills and operate with local workers.

Already there is agreement

between Jamaica, Mexico, Venezuela, Costa Rica, Colombia, and Cuba to develop a joint regional shipping service, and Mr Manley has hopes of a deal to use by-products of Trinidad's petro-chemical industry for agricultural purposes. He is also investigating the possibility of increasing banxite production for supply to soci-alist countries in exchange for goods such as pharmaceutical and farming products.

A state of emergency was

declared seven months ago, giving the authorities wide powers of detention. This was subsequently extended for 60 days, and expires at the end of this month.

Mr Manley said there had been a "scrupulous determing.

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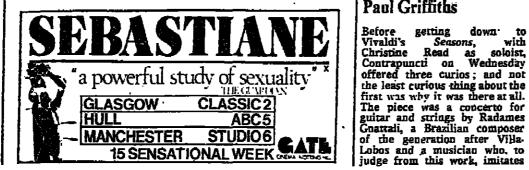
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than forty years ago, and co- them in the very real and condirector of Franju's first short
film, Le Metro (1934).

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great Cinémathèque which often made for uneasy rela-tions with other archives and Cinémathèque which skirts. Franju has aimed for a comparable effect. L'Homme sans civil servants. In 1968 visage is set in a slightly Mahraux dismissed Langlois, but in face of protests and never-never present. From the opening, with the aged Madame Ermance hobbling out demonstrations by film-makers from all over the world he was of the back of her haberdashquickly reinstated. Some people sind believe that the Affaire Langlois was one of the sparks that set off the evenements of 1968. If it is not ery ("Au Bonheur des Dames") to descend into labyrinthine cellars where she removes her wig and dons the black leourds and red hood of proven that he set off that re-volution, however, it is certain that the Nouvelle Vague which revivified the French cinema the man without a face, we are in deep. After that it is all a comic strip fairyland of funny detectives, buried treasure, a in the early Sixties attributed their existence to the eduction they had received as Templars, a murderous femme fatale (Gayle Humicut, who is great at this kind of lark), a youngsters at Lang!c . Cinémad scientist and zombies who

mathèque.

Georges Franju shared Langlois's feeling for the magic and
the "insolite" that are peculiar to the cinema. His films
abound in surreal, unsettling,
inexplicable images and
sudden chill draughts of otherworldly air; and at the same time affectionate allusions, homages, recollections of other films and film-makers—Mélies, bit camp, a bit eerie in the way of all Franju, and compel-Caligari, Cocteau. In the case of L'Homme sans visage (Shad-Ludwig, Requiem for a Virgin King was the first of Hans-Jürgen Syberberg's explorations into the roots of the modern German psyche—an exploration which was to conowman), however, he fiercely denies what might appear at first sight the dominant influence: "I don't give a damn about Feuillade, and personally I don't think I have been influenced by him", he said in an interview with Sight and tinue with Ludwig's Cook, Hans May, and, most memora-bly, The Confessions of Winifred Wagner. It was made for Bavarian Sound.

The truth is, in fact, that both Franju and Louis Feuillade, the great French film-maker of the period before the First World War, have depended on the same source, the innumerable pulp fiction novels of Souvestre and Allain which shelled French much that when a bulb exploded in the course of a shot, they couldn't afford to retake the scene, so left it and hoped that which thrilled French youth with tales of diabolic machipeople would think the noise was the call of some exotic bird. Economy was a necessity nation and murder in the early years of the century. The adventures of their arch-crimmade virtue, too, in the inven-tive use of painted or back-projected sets, and the stylized inal Fantômas went on from episode ro episode, absurd, vio-lent, unwittingly poetic with form of the falm as a series of 28 tableaux, with the same their ubiquitous master-crooks, actors reappearing in different disguises, trapdoors leading into the Paris sewers, jemmes guises. (Sometimes, to make a change, several actors will play a single role—thus there is

The Royal Hunt of the

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William Mann

Peter Shaffer's play about Pizarro's conquest of Peru was recognized, when it first appeared some 10.or more years ago, as a major feat of British drama; read in cold print today it still appears something of the kind, Small wonder that Iain Hamilton, seeing it at the Old Vic, seized on The Royal Hunt of the Sun as materia for an opera. He composed it quite quickly but it has remained unstaged until now. When the English National Opera showed interest Hamilton brought extra years of experience to the completion of the task. It is therefore later, in some respects, than The Catiline Conspiracy which Scottish Opera produced last year, though properly it must be con-sidered Hamilton's first opera. The ENO production on Wed-nesday dealt more than fairly with Hamilton's The Royal Hunt of the Sun. It had a splendid cast led by Geoffrey Chard as a bluff, sympathetic Pizarro, Tom McDounell all nobility, grace and godlike poise as the Inca monarch Atahuallpa, Emile Belcourt a winning, solicitous de Som (a Spanish grandee paradoxically full of good, ethical sense), Dennis Wicks in sonorous voice as the spokes-man of the established Roman church in Spain.

David Collis designed the settings, basically plain yet allow-ing for the splendour of Inca ritual, and retaining the centrepiece of the sunflower which is dramatically essential to the play. Colin Graham, once foiled in a plan to produce the opera in America, returns to the task with unabated valour; whether in grand spectacle, ritual mime (important in representing the Spanish crossing of jungle and Andes, as in Inca gesture and sign-language), or blunt dia-, logue between a few people, his production always looks well in its own right, as well as ful-filling Shaffer's elaborately detailed instructions.

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Paul Griffiths

Vivaldi's

Before getting down

Christine Read as soloist, Contrapuncti on Wednesday

offered three curios; and not

the least curious thing about the

first was why it was there at all.

The piece was a concerto for

Lobos and a musician who, to

Seasons,

with soloist,

Brahms's German Requiem is so ripe in feeling and sure in craftsmanship that it is always startling to realize he was only 35 at the time of its Bremen premiere. It was in fact the great turning point in his career, when for the first time the world at large realized the truth of Schumann's prophe-cies some 15 years before. Wednesday's performance by

the BBC Singers, Choral Society. and orchestra under Andrew nights Brahms resorts to a fugue

his predecessor in writing coffee-flavoured neoclassicism. He also has a taste for the odd iazz rhythm.

Perhaps the excuse for the performance was that it provided a solo opportunity for Roland Harker, although there are many other guitar con-certos. Mr Harker played the work with dexterity and a by Henze for the extraordinary rather metallic tone, perhaps combination of harp, mandolin explained by the acoustic effect of his sitting sideways. Michael Lankester, the eusemble's conductor, displayed a sure feeling for the mild rhythmic panache

guitar and strings by Radames Gnattali, a Brazilian composer which is the accompaniment's of the generation after Villaonly merit. A briefer and more worthwhile piece for soloist and unlikely that it has remained

choir's firm articulation could be admired here, but its soft singing elsewhere was just as valuable, and nowhere more so carried along by the melody. Nothing was stiff or heavy. Time than in the laden pianissimo of and time again, too, Mr Davis brought home points of felici-tous instrumental detail some-No 5, overtly referring to the mother whose death brought the whole work into being. Heather times overlooked. The orchestra Harper conveyed the compas-sion of this, the soprano soloist's If balance went against the told us just as much about the text as the voices—through only chance, with growing cer-tainty and fervour. Benjamin strophe, that was the comtimbre no less than phrasing, as tainty and fervour. Benjamin Luxon's lyrical tone and human in those dark, vibrant violas and cellos in the opening movement. warmth did much for his two In the third and sixth move numbers, especially beloing to few anxious moments towards prepare for the dramatic climax

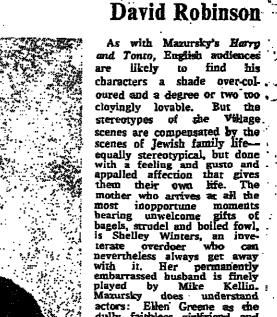
> strings was Fricker's Concertante Op 13. Here Sarah Francis could show how the cor anglais can weave and blend in a strong contrapuntal texture and how that beautiful instru-ment can speak tellingly of pleasure and pain, particularly

The third rare piece was one and guitar. It was billed as " Elegy", with the claim that it was receiving its first concert performance. However, the same music was publiched commercially as Carillon, Recitatif Masque more than a Carillon, year ago, and it would seem

unplayed since then. Given the instrumentation, though, perhaps it has. Whatever it is called, the

work has a characteristic opulence and grace ringed with cheapness. Instantly recognizable as Henze's, it exists in a strange limbo bordered by the ethereal regions of the harp, the perky schmaltz of the mandobin and the exotic suggestions of the guitar, which is always in Henze a Cuban rather than a Spanish instrument.

Una O'Donovan and Hugo D'Alton joined Mr Harker in an attractive performance, but perhaps the piece should have been left as mood music for Granada Television.



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Village guru and Casanova are well cast; and Lenny Baker provides a finely detailed por-trait of the lankly unprepos-sessing, unfully brash hero. It's hard to know why The Pink Telephone, directed by Edouard Molinaro, should be a box-office smash in France, except that the story of a man who falls in love with a woman without knowing she's a whore is a classic French myth. The man is a small factory owner on the point of being bought out by a big American conglo-merate; the girl is offered as a sweetener by the wicked tycoons. Apart from the tartredeemed-by-true-love myth, of course, there's the added spice of a hair-raisingly lurid picture of the methods and mores of big business. Even given the delightful Mireille Darc into the bargain, though, it's small consolation for such a tedious and unbelievable tale.

dully faithless girlfriend and Christopher Walken as the

The Thames Polytechnic in Written as well as directed Woolwich is presenting a Festival of American Cinema from by Paul Mazursky, Next Stop, Greenwich Village has all the looks of a piece of rose-tinted autobiography. The time is 1953 and the hero, Larry Lapinsky (Lenny Baker), at 22 leaves the smothering parental lest in Brooklyn to seek fame. February 6 to February They have found a dozen features and more documentaries that have for some reason or other never been shown here. The festival kicks off, for in-stance, with John Franken-heimer's four-hour film version of The Iceman Cometh with Robert Ryan, Lee Marvin and the late Fredric March. Films to look out for later in the week are Hal Ashby's Bound for Glory and Jan Troell's Zandu's Bride.



characteristic tone of hollow

laughter, invents some warvellous visual notions (among them Siggi Graue's represen-tation of Ludwig's amiably

barmy brother Onto) and maybe has in the end more to

tell about the poor dreaming, betrayed king than the Vis-conti spectacle Ludwig which

was shown at the last London Film Festival.

nest in Brooklyn to seek fame and fortune as an actor (just

as Mazursky did) in Greenwich Village. He finds himself in-

The little Ludwig: Balthasar Thomas

baby (a diminutive but already perfectly formed monarch, beard and all) receiving the cradle curse of Lola Montes seen at once as a Wagnerian Norn and as Marlene Dietrich's Naughry Lola. So ir continues, a mixture of absurdism, kitsch, Brechtian alienation devices, operetta, insolent anachronisms and forward references. The monsters who people Ludwig's mad dreams are a back projec-tion of crowds of twentiethcentury tourists gaping at the poor king's dream castles. At the end, following his mysterious death in the lake at Berg, Ludwig is revived to be jubilantly guillotined; and then revived again to appear as a yodeller in Bavarian leder-

film begins with Ludwig as a



Tom McDonnell

of an operatic libretto, and the playwright (an able musician) approved. He was too generous and unselfish: the cutting Hamilton's opera; the scene removes many passages (some where Atahualipa shrives the very short) which explain the action. Earlier I described ":zarro as sympathetic: in school we learnt that he was a butcher, but Shaffer, following Prescott, portrays him as an nonest man who more or fell in love with Atahuallpa, vowed to save him, and did his all to keep the vow, only giving up his victim to the blood-thirsty demands of the church because he believed that the

Inca was truly a child of the

Davis reminded us that Brahms's

the secret of its assuagement

was the way Mr Davis allowed

each movement to flow. Always his singers and players were

Hamilton himself reduced sun god who would be reborn Shaffer's play to the proportions at first sunlight. When it did not happen Pizarro metaphorically died.

Perhaps others will under-Spaniard is certainly touching, in the opera as in the play. But the conflict between Catholicism and Inca faith, their defences and arguments, is foreshortened in the opera, especially the dis-cussions about love. The subsidiary Inca and Spanish characters have lost their individualities (the picaresque Venetian de Candia has become a nonentity, the soldiery an inchoate mess) and might have been deleted so as to include as a symbol of divine order, as

splendidly prepared for, and sustained with fine tension. The

Photograph by Anthony Crickmay

Hamilton's setting is emi-nently respectable, well paced. attentive to dramatic tension To me it lacks attractive lyrical music for solo voices, and Shaffer's play offered the opportunities time and time again: long speeches that explained the situations while enlivening the characters, Pizarro especially, but others also. There is much lively orchestral music, perhaps too much attention to percussion (for the Incas), and there is a superfluity of dry recitative, so dry that one longs for five minutes of Sussmayr. As music it is dull: The Royal Hunt of the Sun, stunted and starved, remains a great theatrical experience. of the day of judgment in No 6. primary aim in writing it was Beethoven so often did before to comfort the living. Part of him. Both these landmarks were

The concert began with Berg's

violin concerto, also in its way

a requiem. The soloist, Miriam

Fried, played it with a deeper

awareness of the personal story

behind the notes than I have

ever heard before, with an equally acute awareness of its Viennese background, ethos,

and date. Given such a lead, the

orchestra could scarcely fail to respond with equal involvement.

poser's fault. But the orchestral

violins seemed to be having a

more of the motivating dialogue.

shortly after the Angola war,

when the mercenary comedy seemed too well timed for comfort. No such outer disturbances trouble the present revival, and its main characters, whether engaging in Shavian romance or Shavian realism, seem at all times to be playing a charade. On strides Ian Ogilvy's Sergius in white bearskin, preceded by the sound of clanking boots. I had always supposed that one point of that scene was to show him first as an idealizing wind-bag and then bring him down to earth when he gets Louka (Kate O'Mara) alone. But we get no access of furtive lust on this occasion; and the Sergius who confesses to having half a dozen personalities trapped in the same body is the same man who clicks his heels and invites Bluntschli to the sabre duel.

Bluntschh is played by Nicky Henson in his mock farouche style; rough and challenging but guaranteed to do nobody any harm. More to the point, he is worlds removed from Shaw's picture of a Swiss hotelier carrying his mercantile techniques on to the battlefield. Punctiliously correct as one who has risen from the ranks, he retains a strong undercurrent of cockney vigour, and, needless to say, he presents Miss Hampshire's Raina with an alternative sultor outmatching Sergius in

Some of the notices on this. page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Hampshire conquest continued Arms and the Man

Leatherhead

Irving Wardle

Bound for the Hongkong Festibound for the hougeong restricted and set amid quantities of Balkans fretwork, this production is the latest of the Susan Hampshire popular classics. Reviewers are apt to undervalue Miss Hampshire as a beauty who brings out the television public: but in my experience she has an unrivalled power to set her seal on any play she chooses to grace, be it As You Like It or Miss Julie. With one toss of that blonde

mane, she seems to have the company eating out of her hand, and whatever danger ugliness, or intellectual challenge there may have been in the play to begin with is dissolved in charm end prettiness.

In her latest conquest, she radiates Shaw off the stage and

sweetens its comedy all too literally into the Chocolate Soldier. Gareth Davies's production is certainly painless. The evening slips away amusingly and inconsequentially, with ripples of mild laughter for the harmless pranks of the Petkoff household, including several nontextual gags such as the sight of Sergius getting his spurs in a twict. The nace is lively the a twist. The pace is lively, the lines well pointed, and supporting performances, like Eleanor Summerfield's submissively masterful Catherine and Lewis Jones's properly unservile Nicola, are splendidly up to concert pitch. I last saw Arms and the Man

Cruyff and **Neeskens** in Wembley party

By Norman Fox Football Correspondent

Football Correspondent

After several weeks' concern
that he would not be able to
obtain the release of foreignbased players, the Netherlands'
temporary team manager, Jan
Zwartkruis, yesterday confirmed
that all of the famous names,
Cruyff, Neeskens and Rep included, would be in the parry
of 16 from which he would
choose his team to play England
next Wednesday. He could now
field eight of the side—including
the substitute Van de Kerkhof—
who lost to West Germany in the who lost to West Germany in the World Cup final of 1974.

The impressive cast list will doubtless increase the Wembley attendance to over 80,000 but it would be misleading to England if,

would be misleading to England if, at this important stage of their World Cup preparations, a victory over the Dunch was interpreted as the defeat of an important world football power of the moment.

To beat them would be splendid for morale, yet it should be recognized that the Dunch have deteriorated at national level since the summer of 1974. Like England they are in danger of not qualifying for Argentina after drawing with Northern Ireland at home and beating Iceland by only 1—0. Trouble over the release of players and managerial uncertainty have taken a toil.

Since last summer the national

saken a toll.

Since last summer the national team's management has been on a strange course. Mr Zwartkruis was appointed "temporary" manager late last summer in succession to George Knobel but he is also an officer in the Royal Dutch Air Force and before Christ-Dutch Air Force and before Christ-mas he had to resign his football interests through pressure of work. Later he was reappointed to take charge for two matches, next week's and a crucial World Cup qualifying tie against Belgium on March 26.

Extraordinary payments to the Durch World Cup party two years ago indicated that the players had power over the Durch Football Federation and further complications of a kind especially relevant to England had arisen with the



Cruyff (left) and Neeskens for whom the Dutch are paying Barcelona £12,000.

to Barcelona.

The Dutch Federation's agree-The Dutch Federation's agreement to pay about £12,000 for their release as compensation to the Spanish club who have an exhibition game with St Germain in Paris next week, poses the question whether the English FA would have to do something similar if, say, Keegan, joined a continental club. Also, Dutch clubs quickly asked if they were not entitled to some cash for the loan of their players.

players.
This unsettling background has probably been one of the causes of the Dutch national team's failure to expand the "total football "that showed so much pot-ential. However, the team for next week's game will contain plenty of outstanding individual-

departure of Cruyff and Neeskens ists and, after all, without indi-to Barcelona. Today's fixtures

Most of the team who reached the semi-final round of the European championship still remain in the present party and the eight who played in the 1974 World Cup final are Suurbier, Krol, Rijsbergen, Van der Kerkhof, Neeskens, Cruyff, Rensenbrink and Rep. Only two uncapped players will be with the group, Dusbaba and Hovenkamp.

NETHERLANDS PARTY: P. Schrivers (Alax), J. van Baveren (PSV)
Eindhoven!: W. Snurbler (Alax), J.
Dushabs (Alax), R. Krof (Alax), W.
Rilsbergen (Foyenoord), H. Hovenkamp (AZ:57 Alfmaar), W. van de
Kerkhot (PSV) W. van der Kuylen
(PSV), J. Neeskens (Bartelona), J.
Pelors (NEC), Nimegen), R. Gers
(Alax), J. Gruyff (Bartelona), C.
Kist (AZ:67), R. Rensenbrink (Anderlecht), J. Rep (Valencia)

Fourth division Newport County v Bartisley (7.30) Southend United v Bournemouth (7.30) Swansea City v Stockport County (7.30) Youth international Rept of Iroland v W Germ Park, Dublin, 8.0) PUGBY UNION: Club matches: Bath v Rosalyn Park (7.15): Tredegar v Massing (7.15). RUGEY (7.10).
RUGEY LEAGUE: First division:
Castleford v St. Helens. Second division: Whitehaven v York (7.0).

The Football League have with-drawn an order to Notts County to make their game with Chelsea on February 15 all-ticket. The League originally insisted on this restriction when the match was set for January 15 because of worries over a possible repetition of crowd trouble

tiago in June, the Scottish FA decided yesterday. The internanational and selection committee unanimously approved of the three-game tour of South America. Ernest Walker, assistant secretary of the Scottish FA, stated after a meeting of the committee: "Having made inquiries of Her

Majesty's government, and, having considered the reply, the international and selection committernational and selection committree have decided unanimously to
proceed with its plans to have
the Scottish team play three international matches, in Chile,
Argentina and Brazil, in June,
1977, in preparation for our anticipated participation in the 1978
World Cup finals".

It was also announced that
Scotland would play East Germany in East Berlin on September 7 in preparation for their

many in East Berlin on September 7 in preparation for their World Cup qualifying the with Czechoslovakia at Hampden Park.

Neary, first capped in 1971, won Scotland's under-21 team will play Scotland's under-21 team will play consedutive caps for his country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the another ball winner at the lineant for the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international, in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second international in Brisbane, on the country before missing the second inter ast season, so comorrow will see

reprimanded over advertising

ders, the chairman of selectors, said they could not see a place for him in their current plans, "and no player, however outstanding, could expect to go on forever". Mr Sanders said yesterday that Neary had been omitted from the trials because they knew all about his form, but Rafter's injury had presented a new situation and they were confident that secretary, said yesterday that the send a letter to Mrs Gilks, point-ing out the serious consequences of displaying advertising material

Japanese GP

Tokyo, Feb 3.—The Japanese Grand Prix has been cancelled, the Japan Automobile Federation (JAF) said today. It was to have been run at Fuji Speedway on April 17. It has been called off because a sponsoring firm have withdrawn their support. It is hoped to stage it in the autumn after consultation with the Interafter consultation with the Inter-national Automobile Federation.

Surprise defeat

for Stockton by Barazzutti

Corrado Barazzutti, who is ranked Dick Stockton in the opening

in the singles final of the United States professional indoor cham-pionships in Philadelphia.

matches, Adriano Panatta, me fourth seed beat Vijay Amritraj, of India, 6—4, 6—4, and Vitas Gerulattis of the United States out-

Squash rackets

Wembley officially not ideal

Squash Rackets Correspondent already been reduced to 16 players, will be continued on an sall-play-all basis in four groups of four at the New Croydon Club this evening, tomorrow and Sunday. The group winners will advance to the concluding knockout rounds at Wimbledon Stadium, where the semi-final stage will where the semi-final stage will take place on Tuesday, and the final on Wednesday.

The two previous winners of this young event, Jonathan Leslie and Philip Ayton, are among the eight most highly ranked amateurs who were exempt until this stage of the champlonship. They are joined by the eight survivors of qualifying competitions. The qualifiers include a former British international, Pat Kirton, aged 40, and

Britain's national amateur squash rackets champtonship, which has will be Leslie v Ayton and Philip Keuyon v John Richardson. Both previous championships

were played at Wembley.
Originally this one was imilarly
scheduled. It has been shifted to
the other side of London partly
because the final clashes with a football match between England and The Netherlands at Wembley, and partly because the tournament committee felt there would be more "spectator support" at New Croydon and Wimbledon Stadium. This decision could be construed

as the first official admission that, in spite of its popularity as a playing complex for the general public, the Wembley Squash Centre (opened in 1974) has not been an ideal environment for players and spectators af cham-

The football chief who feels that he is plummeting from the Empire State Building Pegasus wings help break the fa. Thomas Thom

Sir Harold Thompson—"Tommy" those within the game who have known lum as the Oxford centre half in the University matches of 1927 and 1923 and later as the founder of Pegasus-has had a distinguished career in a variety of fields.

Fellow of the Royal Society, President of the Great Britain-China Society, and 22 honorary fellow of St John's College, Oxford, he was knighted in 1968 for his work as an international scientist, a physical chemist with much original research into intra-red spectroscopy. All this has been his professional life and is reflected by an old briefcase usually bulging to bursting point with erudite papers and memoranda.

However, football has always attracted his close attention, so that when he became chairman of the Football Association last junt he achieved what probably all along had been one of his secret goals. Son of a colliery manager outside Sheffield, the vounz man who won a scholarsoip to Oxford (where at first he felt our of place) in the end got where he wanted through ambition, applied intelligence, hard work, and Yorkshire tenacity.

"Yet I'm not really enjoying the job", he said with candour. "Frankly, it's over-burdened with complex problems on a world scale and the breaking down of barriers is a hard, slow process. The game is bedevilled by excessive nationalism and politics, especially among the emerging countries. At the moment I feel like the man falling headlong from the 40th floor of the Empire State Building who shouts as he is passing the 20th floor: 'I'm all right so far'.

"The game generally, financially and administratively, is in a bit of a mess both at home and abroad. The FA is not a dictatorship, but as I see it we must try to give a moral lead. What football needs -as indeed does the country itself as a whole—is a return to higher principles. There are too many parasites around and

too great a greed for money.

"As for players who persistently behave badly and bring the game into discepute, I should like to see them but out of football permanently. This may seem drastic but it would soon have a dramatic effect. Hooliganism, too, is a problem and part of a general social malaise. Gangs

Rugby Union

cold and

Rugby Correspondent

Wednesday evening.

By Peter West

Neary out of

into the wet

It must have seemed Just like old times yesterday for Tony Neary, the former England captain, dropped by the selectors this season and now recalled as open-side flanker in place of Michael Rafter for tomorrow's game against Ireland in Dublin. Rafter withdrew with damaged ribs on Wednesday evening.

his 33rd appearance. Only two England forwards, John Pullin and Budge Rogers, have played

The wheel certainly has come another turn of the circle for Neary, because he was left out of

both national trials this season. After the final one, Sandy Sanders, the chairman of selectors.



Sir Harold Thompson, FA chairman

who terrorize local communities and smash property away from football grounds is something beyond our control. But we can take steps to combat violence on the terraces.

It may seem that the FA are dragging their feet in this matter, but things are moving in the background. We have already had a meeting with the Home Sec-retary and another is due soon. Certain decisions were taken then, some of which were announced at the time. But the main

were announced at the time. But the main ones have not yet been released though they will be shortly.

"Meanwhile we feel that fines, how-ever large, may be ineffective. Some of my colleagues, indeed, are keen on the return of corporal punishment, but I doubt if that will be acceptable. My own view is that the best deterrent would be the reporting by culprits to detention centres during the times of matches, not just for a few weeks but for six months and more. That would hurt and I'm not anticipating the Minister when I say that it has been seriously considered. Things in fact are moving quite fast and I am optimistic,"

One other credit on the balance sheet is the improved relations between the FA and the League. Three or four years ago

Sitting pretty: Peter Wheeler takes a break while Malcolm

Young keeps feeding the scrummage machine.

the bodies. That, however, has and by careful handling there grown a spirit of friendly coopers could benefit the game as a who Sir Harold continued: "!

Sir Harold continued: come together on a nun points. Sponsorship for one. I difficult one. We've been pilloris media in this matter, but we're on it and we're not going to touc projects. We have got things in we shall announce them when

have been reached. "With the League, too, we a process of restructuring our who ing system. For the last three detailed study has been carrie, this with the League clubs an associations. Sir Stanley Rous, is dom, began it all a long time ag now feel the time has come for change of emphasis. We want t we're teaching youth the right the right way. We are aiming adaptability, less rigidity on the a greater acceut on basic ski

than strategy and tactics. Greexpression, in fact.

"Lilleshall also is to be enlare shortly to start building a necentre there to set up, as it were football school. We are in the a appointing a new leading referee tor in residence and there will I there for coaches and referees home and abroad—plus increase playing facilities. In a word we a

the roots of the game with c with the English Schools FA." Meanwhile on the internation there looms a cloud at present than a man's hand. FIFA its enmeshed in political issues China Taiwan, South Africa an that there is a growing feeling
—supported by certain elements
and North America—that the tin coming when Europe, the crac game and a contributor of 85 p FIFA's total income should by

and start again. "All that however", Sir Hare "is somewhere in the fut remember most of what I've tal is based on hard work and hor

Old Trafford crowd in for a rare treat

turn out for Alex Stepney's testi-monial match against Benfica at Old Trafford next Wednesday. United's supporters are in for a rare treat, according to Benfica officials, because Fernando Chalano, aged 17, will be in the side. Chalano is already being halled as the new Eusebio in Portugal and this season he has been a revelation. Heropatan contractor. Lack tion to European spectators. Jack Taylor, a World Cup referee, will take charge of the game which is a repeat of the 1968 European

Gordon Hill, however, is doubt-Gordon Hill, however, is doubtful for tomorrow's game against
Derby County at Old Traiford
after being injured during
training yesterday. Hill went
to hospital for X-ray examinations after being hurt in a
tackle with Alex Forsyth. There
are no bones broken but he has
a badly bruised ankle.

United's manager. Tommy

United's manager, Tommy Docherty, said: "Hill went very pale and felt sick and he was taken to hospital as a precautionary measure." Hill has played in 33 consecutive Cup and League games and has scored 11 goals. Earlier Mr Docherty had announced an unchanged team but Gerry Daly, who lost his place in December, or David McCreary may be selected.

The transfer of the administra-tion of the Olympic Games to Unesco was the rather startling proposal made to me last week by President Urbo Kekkouen, of

Finland. His disenchantment with the way the Games, and athletics

in particular, are governed has led him to the conclusion that the International Olympic Com-mittee (IOC) should act only as

This comes from a man whom the IOC, in a recent bulletin published from their headquarters at Lausanne, described as: "without doubt one of the most devoted sports followers among the present heads of state". Mr Kekkonen received me in the Doctor Zhivago setting of his summer palace just outside Helsinki last week to amplify some devastating remarks made by him in Sweden recently.

in Sweden recently.

He had referred to the "total isolation of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) leadership from the realities of our times", and charged the IAAF with "clinging to a period that goes back to the nineteenth century". In particular, he was incensed by the life ban imposed on a French hurdler, Guy Drut, for having been honest enough to admit that he had received money from athletics promoters. Drut was the handsome young man who gave France their only individual gold medal at the Montreal Olympics.

Mr Kekkonen accused the IAAF

medal at the Montreal Olympics.

Mr Kekkonen accused the IAAF leaders, of a "naive desire to show who are the masters". Everybody knew that payments were made to athletes (he used the word in the broadest sense), yet they allowed the hypocrisy to persist. The president did not mention names, but having heard IAAF officials proclaim time after time that professionalism was not a problem for athletics, I readily share Mr Kekkonen's disgust.

What then, was the answer?

What then, was the answer? Here the president seemed at a loss, more bewildered, I suspected, by the difficulties than those presented by his 'previous visitor at the palace, an influential banker posing such easily remediable problems as inflation and the main-

tenance of a buoyant economy.

The president thought it had to be recognized that there were

different categories of sporismen, ranging from those who earned their living from their pursuit and those who, like him, form the multitude who took part merely for the pleasure and the pain, often at heavy cost of time and money.

The British public take great

pleasure from the equestrian exploits of Princess Anne and her father, but at least they have four

other legs to help them along (the Duke of Edinburgh often 16, at the reins of a coach). Yet bere is a man of 76 who is shortly to take part in a 60km cross-country ski race (about 35 miles), that will be a short it is hours.

occupy him for about five hours,

After guiding his side into the last 16 of the FA Cup, Derby's manager, Colin Murphy, faces a last 16 of the FA Cup, Derby's manager, Colin Murphy, faces a multitude of injury problems. Derby, still in the relegation zone, could be without at least three top players. Their £300,000 forward, Hales, went off with concussion and ligament trouble in the 1—0 win over Colchester United on Wednesday. Gemmill went into a short plaster splint yesterday, again with ligament strains, and George is still troubled by a leg injury.

Fulhant failed in their attempt to sign Arsenal's winger, Armstrong, in time for their match against Charlton Athletic, at Craven Cottage. The clubs had agreed terms of £30,000 for Armstrong, Arsenal's longest serving player. A Fulham spokesman said: "The deal is still on but there has been a hold up. I cannot say whether he will be signing tomorrow."

Carlisle United paid a club record fee of £50,000 for Oxford United's 20-year-old player. Tait, yesterday. He will play his first game for his new club against Chelsea tomorrow. Oxford turned down a £50,000 hid from Carlisle in the summer. Tait, who joined Oxford four years ago, was the top scorer last season with 12 goals and he has already £00 ed 12 this season.

Finland's head of state has a plan to counteract disenchantment

Unesco should handle Olympics

President Kekkonen: One of the multitude of sportsmen

irrelevant relics of other days. One prominent member of the IOC is a fellow Finn, Erlk von Frenc-

kell. Mr Kekkonen described him to me as " of an older circle than myself in spirit". Not surprisingly, for Mr von Frenckell is in his minetieth year.

Like many others, Mr Kekkonen recognizes the difficulty of establishing a category of sportsmen that admits the best competitors without surrendering to the excesses of full-scale commercialization. The word "difficult" (or its Finnish equivalent, through an interpretary personner.

cult " (or its Finnish equivalent, through an interpreter) perpered his conversation. But one thing he was determined about—the removal of the "immorality". Mr kekkonen is a man of grave and earnest aspect, but from time to time a smile litt up his face, and I learnt later that he had felt a certain sympathy towards the

a certain sympathy towards the subject of our interview, so far was it removed from the oppres-sive affairs of state that bear

sive affairs of state that bear down on a president/prime-minister. Happily, be was kept unaware of the fact that, before he entered the sumptions drawing room with a grand piano standing at the ready for Sibelius, I had committed the faux pas of taking the seat reserved for the head of state for interpresses.

head of state for interviews. I shall try the piano stool next

who take part merely for the pleasure and the pain.

In the company of 1,000 other competitors. Security? "When I walk the streets", Mr Kekkonen explains, "if there are security men about I never see them".

Even in the past 10 years, what I suppose would have to be called his declining years (though you would never think so), he has skied more than 500km (more than 300 miles) each winter. This year he has already totted up 420km (over 250 miles) and, jndging by his physical well-being and the grip that the winter has taken of Finland, the snow will see a good deal more of his lightweight Nordic skis before the sun begins to

dic skis before the sun begins to demolish the long, cold nights.

A high jump champion of Finland in his youth, he also excelled

in such exotic events as the stand-

in such exotic events as the standing hop, step and jump (31ft loin, generally regarded as a world record) and the standing high jump (4ft 10in). An Olympic competitor, he later became team manager at Los Angeles in 1932 and Berlin in 1936. He was for many years president of the Finmish Amateur Athletic Federation and in 1958 was awarded the Grand Cross of Finnish Sport.

He therefore speaks from vast

experience, not only of administra-tion at the highest political level, but also of active participation in sport. Even at his age he seems to regard the 70 or so members of the IOC as well-meaning but

Yesterday's result

Luton Town, who were on the verge of bankruptcy just over a year ago, disclosed yesterday that their policy of selling players to ease the problem was paying off. Their annual report for the year ended May 31, 1976, shows that they made a trading loss of 152,000 but turned in profits of 120,000 on transfers of seven players with none acquired.

Keith Osgood, of Tottenham Hotspur, missed training yesterday with a cold and is doubtful for their match at Middlesbrough. If Osgood fails to recover Spurs for their match at Middlesbrough. If Osgood fails to recover Spurs will have a problem because Willie Young, their centre half, is suspended for four games. Peter Brine has a knee injury and is out of Middlesbrough's team. His place is expected to be taken by Graeme Hedley, a 19-year-old who played against Spurs when they beat Middlesbrough 2—1 in the League Cup.

Andrew White, who has played in only seven of Newport County's 22 League fixtures this season, is recalled for tonight's home game against Barusley. White is brought back in place of John Relish—the first chauge made by Newport's

first chauge made by Newport's new manager, Colin Addison.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Paraguay
2. Chile 0.

Scotland to go ahead with visit to Chile

Scotland will go ahead with their match against Chile in San-

Wednesday evening.

"I had really given up hope of getting back into a winning side", Neary said after training with the England party at Twickenham. "I was probably lucky to be playing for Lancashire in the county semi-final against Gloucestershire the other day when the selectors were present in force. I am, of course, absolutely delighted by the turn of events." short tour of Australia in 1975. He played in all five England matches

Badminton

Mrs Gilks is

Gillian Gilks is in trouble again with badminton officials. She has been reprimanded by the Badminton Association of England for wearing advertising insignia during matches and has been told that a repetition could lead to appreciate.

Brian Bisseker, the Association's

on court.

Last week a row broke out when Mrs Gilks, a triple All-England champion, said she no longer wished to play with her regular England doubles partner. The Association confirmed that Mrs Gilks would not be playing women's doubles in the forthcoming Dutch championships.

Motor racing

drops out

Last year's event, the last of the 1976 world championship series, decided the drivers' title. James Hunt, of Great Britain, and Niki Lauda, of Austria, were in the running for the title.

Richmond, Virginia, Feb 3 .second in Italy, pulled off a great coup here tonight when he bear round of a \$100,000 tournament.

Tennis

Barazzutti earned a place in the quarter final round with a 6-4, 6-2 win over Stockton, who had beaten Jimmy Connors on Sunday

Connors, seeded No. 1 here, told tournament officials last night that he was withdrawing from the 16-man field. Connors' father died on Sunday and was buried yester-day in St Louis.

In the remaining two first round matches, Adriano Panatta, the

Motion of no confidence in champion

Boxing

another ball wither at the line-out. "Tony must play his own game and I hope it will fit in with the pattern we set. It's vital that we win the ball on the ground." This was an area, against Scotland, where Rafter played a crucial name.

Scotland, where Rafter played a crucial part.

Colston added that the team had not been picked to play elaborate rugby and that he hoped it could dictate its own pattern of play. "Ireland obviously have a good pack, and if Mike Gibson gets a good ball he could call the tune. It's up to us to stop him getting it, and although we know it is going to be a very fough same our ream

to be a very fough game our ream has a new confidence, it's really looking forward to getting stuck in again and you can say we aren't minking about losing."

Rozer Utiley, the captain, who

Milan, Feb 3.—Britain's Alan Minter is the firm favourite to take the European middleweight title from the controversial champion, Germano Valsecchi, of Italy, here tomorrow. The Italian's apprehension about the contest was reflected in a row which broke out today.

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The Valsecchi camp was apparently thrown into confusion by the revelation that Bruno Branchini, the nephew of the manager, Umberto Branchini, had made an agreement with Minter to promote any of his future contests in Italy. 'It is obvious that my people think Minter can beat me', an angry Valsecchi said, 'but I intend to win and prove them wrong.'

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Minter's trainer, manager and father-in-law, Douglas Bidwell, refused to predict the outcome.
"I am 100 per cent certain Alan is the better fighter", he said. Bidwell also confirmed that a gentieman's extreement existed to allow Branchint to promote Minter's future bouts in Italy.

Valsecchi, local born and an electrical engineer, will be defending his title for the second time. In his first defence, after taking the title from a fellow Italian, Angelo Jacopucci, Valsecchi knocked out Paul Knudsen, of Denmark.

of Denmark.

The only chink in Bidwell's calm, outward confidence came with the news that the referee would be Herbert Tomser, of West Germany. "He was the

with the news that the referee would be Herbert Tomser, of West Germany. "He was the referee when Alan beat the West German light-middleweight champion, Peter Wulfe, in Hamburg in May. 1975.

"Before Alan put the German down for the count, Tomser gave us a whole series of warnings and a public warning. To this day, we don't know what the warnings were for because none of us speak German and Alan is just not a dirty lighter", he sa'd.

New York: Emile Griffiths, five times a former World Boxing Council champion, celebrated his 39th birthday a day early last night by bearing Christy Elliot, the Irish champion, on points. Griffiths, who has held the middleweight fille twice and the welter-weight title three times, was never in trouble.—Agencies.

chance of his first cap Paris, Feb 3.—Guy had to drop out of

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had to drop our of a team to meet Wales Saturday and he will by Jean-Luc Averons. been preferred on the l Averous, who did not against Romania earlie son in Bucharest. Howe injured his ankle lass playing for his clu Toulousain. He failed test today, and so he ming his first internation France will not send South Africa this yest keeping open their o multiracial South Afric rour France in 19
Ferrasse, the Preside
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Mr Ferrasse told I
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France with Dr Dame

were fully alive to of multi-racies teams in bringing men togeth Mr Ferrasse said l unable to send a tear Africa this summer, as wiched because a tox tina was already takit June. He said that he l of France in the auto condition that it white community's to multi-racial side repr South Africa's rugby

Stechen Fenvick, th centre, who suffered injury in a Welsh Cup Cardiff, yesterday aft they concentrated on it

Last evening England were looking at a recording of the Wales/Ireland game. **Wales without Watkins**

David Watkins, the Welsh Rugby League captain, has withdrawn from the team to meet France in the European triangular tourna-ment at Toulouse on February 20 because of a hamstring injury. He was hurt in the first half of the was hurt in the first half of the game against England last Saturday. Wilkins, who took his place, retains the postition.
Curling comes in as substitute back and Butler as substitute forward in place of Murphy, who is travelling reserve. Butler was substitute forward for the England

The England party trained for the best part of two hours on a heavy and party waterlogged pitch at the Stoop Memorial ground. I should have thought it possible to find firmer going comanders also but the heavens.

somewhere else, but the heavens opened all morning and anyway

to training or playing trials in ineffable conditions. Judged by the result against Scotland such

preparations seem to suit them

Some of the midfield distribu-tion did not exactly inspire con-fidence yesterday, but passing the

ball through many hands is not likely to figure too highly on the

this England side is accuston

game but had to withdof a knee injury.
Reginald Park, a director, is Great Briager for the world of tournament in Australi Sydney: Ken Arthurso of Manly, said here would take action ag Lowe if the Hull Kingforward did not return the had cabled I instructions to advise

Latest European snow reports

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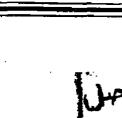
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ster Spy makes light of his takes to win unchallenged

s of the Schweppes by favourite, Artilice, considerable boost to at Wincanton yester-Artifice captured the Handicap Hurdle at urk, he finished seven root of Princely Mark read of The Dunce. Princely Mark and The hr our the finish of am Handicap Hurdle lear of their nearest oxy went to Princely ince quarters of a bough The Dunce's Smith, thought he won but for hitting nt of hurdles.

will have to put up ht. Fulke Walwyn



limpet in driving rain.

gave his trainer, Tim Forster, his 24th victory of the season.

Once again, Forster was loud in his praise of Graham Thorner, who sat as tight as a limpet as Master Spy made his mistakes in the driving rain. "The nastier the conditions, the more Graham seems to rise to the occasion". Forster said. Thorner has now ridden 10 winners in the past forthight.

Master Spy is clearly a good horse in the making. But although he is a half-brother to Money Market and comes from the same family as two brillians. Market and comes from the same family as two brilliant jumpers, Master Eye and Master H, he is finding it difficult to learn how to become a proficient fencer. Furster has no immediate plans for Master Spy, who is qualified for the Sun Alliance Steeplechase at the National Hunt Estical the National Hunt Festival.

On the Gold Cup front, we were little the wiser after Pendil had gained a bloodless victory over his solitary opponent, What A Buck, in the Wincanton Challenge Cup. Given a beautiful ride by John Francome, Pendil went alread at the tenth force for an effortless at the tenth fence for an effortless win.
Fred Winter, who coatirus

Lanzarote as a probable for the Reynoldstown Novices' Steeplechase at Ascot on Wednesday week, said that he has not yet decided whether to run Pendil again before Cheltenham. It was a treat to see the 12-year-old on such good terms with himself and revelling in his work.

Winter's other star, Bula, will in action at Sandown Park this afternoon, where an enthralling contest is promised for the 58,500 Lelsure Caravans Park Steeple-chase. Broncho II is my tentative selection for this three-mile bandicap, which promises to be the most informative race of its kind to be run this season.

Bula's latest running, when fourth behind Royal Marshai II in the King George VI Steeplechase, lacked his usual' sparkle but, at his best, the 12-year-old's final burst of speed could be seen to telling advantage in this oftentwould have an underlable chance judged on his best form but he ran hadly on his most recent outran hadly on his most recent out-ing against Pendil and Fort Devon

If Flashy Boy, the Irish challenger and an erratic jumper, were to put in a clear round, he would win this race carrying 11st 3lb. Handicapped on the same mark, Zeta's Son would seem weighted to the hilt of his ability but Michael Buckley's Hennessy Gold Cup winner will be in his planner in the heavy ground element in the heavy ground. Master H seems to have been

Perhaps the most interesting run

Perhaps the most interesting runner is the pride of Devon, Otter
Way, the Whitbread Gold Cup
winner who has 10st 9lb to carry.
The Gold Cup probable is considered to need this afternoon's
race by his trainer but if he is to
have any chance at Cheltenham,
he must surely run well with his
light mast surely run well with his

Broncho II is fairly high in the

handicap but was fancied by Tony Dickinson to win last week's abandoned William Hill Yorkshire

Steeplechase. In peak form at pre-sent, Broncho's brilliant jumping should be seen to full advantage over those fences close together down the back straight at Esher.

STATE OF GOING (official): San down Park: Soft. Stratford-on-Aver tionpersow: Heavy tinspection 12 goot joday: Wetherby (tomprow): Soft.

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16-1 Timber Oueen, 20-1 God Acolus.
Bicquie, Cropping Lad. Rasty Lady.
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TOTE: Win. 24p; places. 11p. 19n.
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1.15 (1.18) NOVICES HURDLE (DIV I: part II: 4-y-9: £466: 2m)

1.45 (1.47) CORTON DENHAM STEEPLECHASE (Handicap; £741; 2m 5().

STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 1741:
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TOTE: Win, 3Cp: places, 1-25, 1-22.

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8-11-4 G. Thorner (5-2.11 (av. 1
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Lucky Victory ... Sw (20-1.2
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Alexangle (p), 10-1 Ballybright, Village Slave (p), 10-1 Dunany Point (p), 12-73.

lage Slave (p. 16-1 Annual London (p. Eagle Feather (4th) London (spress pp. 20-1 Dunany Point (p. 12 Tan. TOTE: Win. 76p: places, 25p. 47p. 82p. T. Forsior, at Wantage, 15f. 3.1. Happy Panger did not run.

2.45 (2.48) WINCANTON STEEPLE-CHASE (\$1.285) 2m 5(:)
Pendil, b g, by Pendragon-Biliska (Mrs. C. Swallow),
12.11-11 . J. Francone (1-4: 1)
What a Buck ... J. King (11-4: 2)
(Into two ran
TOTE: Win, 11p. F. T. Winter,
at Lambourn, 15i.

3.15 (3.19) GILLINGHAM HURDLE (Handleag: £735; 2m)

not run.

3.15 (3.18) NOVICES HURDLE

(Div II: part II: 1-y-o: 2.151; 2m)

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10-3 G. Knight (100-30); 1

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ALSO RAN: 2.1 (av Southern Mobile, 6-1 Regal Josler, 12-1 Fury Spirit, 12-1 Lawrenge Johnston, 20-1

Rowan River (14), Diete Daties, Town Counseller, The Drunken Duck, 12-1, Marusa (p), Spanish Singer, 16

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TOTE: Win. 51p; places, 14p, 25p, 29p, J, Cann. at Cullompton. 2'sl. 20t. Salan Power did not run.

4 15 (4.19) NOVICES HURDLE (DIV III: part III; 4-y-o: 9428; 2m)

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Daughter, Jet Paprol, Mr Millart.
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TOTE: Win, 27-c. Plares, 120, 150.

TOTE: Win, 27p: Places, 12p. 15p. 50p. D. Underwood, at Bramley, 61.

TOTE DOUBLE: Our de Bolebec. Master Soy, \$29.20. TREBLE: All Forever, Killorby, Pondil, £21.15.

Doubtful starter

Yesterday's

Wincanton

race results

light weight.

"Your present team is reany little more than a one-man team... without Demus Lillee, you are nothing. Without Lillee, Australia is one of the weakest sides in the world. I predict that England will beat Australia convincingly this year ", he wrote.—Reuter. ser a formidable task under 11st 11th. Michael Oliver's eight-yearold finished 13 lengths ord musiced is lengths beamed Border Incident in the Embassy Premier final and a good per-formance by him would result in a drastic reduction of Border Incident's odds for the Gold Cup.

Asif accuses How Greig can do with a promotion Tuesday England would not have against India have batted 25 times no sort of a record in England, finished the day at 34 for four but at something for two. He is a good enough player to protect and have shared only three scores of 1970-71 when England won the court of the state of the state

Cricket Correspondent Bangalore, Feb 3

If Bill Athey, of Yorkshire, and David Gower, of Leicestershire, both still under 20, knew how often their names are mentioned on the present MCC tour of India they would be greatly flattered. They might be a little anxious. too, for they are seen as two of the young men most likely to lead England to the promised land.

land.

As, time and time again, the English batting collapses, it is natural to look to the next generation to put that right. This is where these two come in, and why Tavaré, of Oxford Umiversity and Kent, and Love, of Yorkshire, and even Gatting of Middlesex, crop up as well. I have heard quite senior players on the MCC side out here speak of Athey and Gower as though they really do have a talent.

Until we get home, though, we have got to make the most of what Until we ger home, though, we have got to make the most of what we have, and this can best be done by moving Greig up the order. I have been saying for a long time now that with so much inexperience in the first five the captain is too low as number six. His own view is that the best way to bring a batsman on is to stand him up in the front and see what he is made of. Greig also enjoys having Knott alongside him as number seven. These two have saved many an English innings. But would so many inmings have needed saving if Greig himself had gone in higher?

The chances are that if Greig had batted at number four on

The chances are that if Greig had batted at number four on

good enough player to protect and help those who know less about it. What Ken Barrington, MCC's manager, has against Greig's pro-motion is that when England hat motion is that when England bat he is often fired after bowling, and bearing the burden of the captaincy, and that, challenging cricketer though he is, he needs to rest. Even when England are struggling to get an innings going Greig can be found sleeping his labours off.

The alternative to raising Greig up the order is to move up Knott. Greig says this might have been done here in Bangalore, in England's second innings, if Knott had been less tired. With Tolchard being injured Knott has missed only one match since the first Test in Delhi on December 17; he has played in them all since January 1, which did not prevent him from making a brilliant 81 not out yesterday and harting, as he can do, like a little genius. What Knott would like to do, I think, but probably never will, is to give up wicketkeeping and concentrate on batting. His two best batting The alternative to raising Greig on barting. His two best barting years were when he went in at number five for Kent and had the chance of making plenty of runs.

One other reason given for Greig batting at number six is that Sobers used to do it. So he did, but more often than not he had some fine players ahead of him. In Brearley, Barlow, Fletcher, Randall, Tolchard and Woolmer, Randall, tolchard and woolmer, England by a cit betting traciality. England have six batting specialists

For the record

Cricket

over 30.

A lot of the batting has, it is

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A lot of the batting has, it is true, been extremely difficult. The peculiar problems set by the Indian spinners on Indian pitches are unlikely to be faced again until MCC return to India in however many years that is, Against West radies in English last summer, and against hystalia helper, the and against Australia before that, both at home old away, England found themselves facing some intimidatingly formittible fast bowling. In their past it test matches they have bad only two remorely rasy ones—agrinst New Zeaund at the end of the last Australasian our. I doubt if rigiand, or any other country for that matter, have ever had a stiffer two years of Test cricket. Had a newcomer to the side emerged from it with a good record he would indeed be a find. The nearest to it was David Steele, who is so unlucky not to be here.

not to be here.

The respite starts next winter with a tour to Pakistan and New Zealand, followed by return visits from Pakistan and New Zealand to England in the summer of 1975. That could be the time for breaking in an Athey or a Gower. Between now and then we have one more Test to play against India (in Bombay next week) and six against Australia (one in Melbourne in March and five in England this summer). With Thomson's future in doubt, and Iam Chappell and Redpath in retirement; and Walters sporting stand down.

batting side to take advantage of it, or to tide us over until the autumn? Although I believe Randall and Brearley both have Randall and Brearley both have it in them to make good ruts against Australla, it is time for convincing proof of it. There is a good enough chance that it would help man to have Greig at number four; for him to go there, at any rate, in the last two Tests of this tour in syste of his other responsibilities.

Back in England there will be other options. Should Steele come back? Is Willey to have another chance? Is next summer against Australia too early to take a gamble with Athey or Gower? And if Boycort, now 36, really does want to play for England again, is his defection to be forgotten? What happens in Bombay and Melbourne in the next few weeks Melbourne in the next few weeks may still help a little to sort the problems out.

John Murray, the former England and Middlesex wicketkeeper, has been nominated as a possible England cricket selector. Murray, who retired at the end of the 1975 season, is one of six put forward by the counties. Four selectors will be chosen at a meeting at Lord's in early March. selectors will be chosen at a meeting at Lord's in early March.
Sir Leonard Button is the only one of last year's panel who has not been renominated. Business commitments have caused him to

Rackets

Cricket

Australia

of barbaric

Melbourne, Feb 3 .- Asif Iqbal,

Pakistan's all-rounder, has accused Australian cricketers of

"barbaric behavior" during a Test match. Asif wrote in the February edition of Cricketer magazine: "Out there on the Test field your players are very ugly, both in attitude and in language.

or in English county cricket." Asif.

who scored 313 runs at an average of 78.25 in the recent drawn series, said the Australians' behaviour on the field did not

unsettle him. But off the field, Asif described

tralian approach in a match to "one hig planned exercise". Asif said England would beat Australia soundly in the coming

"Your present team is really

behaviour

Determination brings Myrtle through crisis

By Our Rackets Correspondent
Andrew Myrtle will defend his
fitle against David Reed-Relstead
in the final round of the Army
rackets championship in Loudon
today. These two players will also
oppose each other in the final
round of the Regimental doubles
championship when the King's
Own Scottish Borderers, Myrtle's
regiment, meet the Royal
Armoured Corps' first pair.
Myrtle looked in danger of Armoured Corps' first pair.

Myrtle looked in danger of defeat, when down two games to one against Alastair Drew, whom he eventually beat by 6—15, 15—8, 6—15, 15—10, 15—6 in one of yesterday's semi-final round matches. It says a lot for his determination and stamina that he came through this crisis. For much of the match Drew did remarkably well, hitting the ball, especially on the backhand, with the timing and sweetness of a born player.

The turning and sweetness of a born player.

The turning point came in the fourth game when Drew, causing Myrtle a lot of trouble with his service to the backband court the cleverly varied height and length), led 6—4. At times Myrtle had shown signs of weariness but the threat presented a challenge and he won the next eight points, partly through service and partly through improved length down the court. Drew's play had passed its peak and when Myrtle opened the final game with a run of nine Drew could do little more

By Our Rackets Correspondent than swing at the ball and hope. than swing at the ball and hope. There was a good deal of pure rackets in that match but the other semi-final, in which Reed-Felstead beat Alexander Finlayson by 15—5, 17—16, 15—5, more closely resembled a dog-fight with both players lashing the ball around the court. Finlayson should have won the second game in which he led 14—12 and had three further game points. On three of these points he hit down forehands, always his suspect stroke, and on the fourth he missed a backhand. Those errors were very expensive.

were very expensive.

Reed-Felstead and Mark Evans

Boxing

HAMILTON, New Zeeland: Austra-Hans, 315 for 6 dec and 165 for 6 dec 1K. J. Hughes 76: Northern Districts, 255 and 141 iK. J. O'Keeffe 5 for 55). Australians won by 113 runs.

Tennis ORIO: C. J. Motoran W. Lloyd (US), 4-6

ice hockey

Cycling

COPENHAGEN: Six-day event, fi
leading placings: 1, P. Sercu (Bright
and O. Riller (Denmark): 2,
Perform and A. Fribr (West German)

5, R. Pilnen (Netherlands) and
Hermann, Liscotherstein, and

Hockey

West improve position and enhance reputation

town, near Southport, yesterday. By drawing with North they furished unbeaten in their four women's territorial backey matches after several years. They won one match and drew three, a splendid improvement after being at the bottom last season.

North have the same number of points, having won two matches, drawn one and lost one. Both West and North have scored nine goals with six against. So until tomorrow they will tie for top place and will remain in this position unless will remain in this position unless South, their nearest rivals, beat Midlands by more than five goals. The match at Hightown was a refreshing one. The standard of play was the best we have seen in the series and the goal with which North opened the scoring in the second half was worth waiting for. The four players involved in the movement passed an opponent and drew another an opponent and drew another before parting with the ball. It moved from Ann Lunt to Verona Nolan, then to Paula Hughes and back to Miss Nolan. Angela Edwards made no mistake with her shore.

her shot.

North played the first half with
their team as selected. At halftime
Miss Edwards was brought in once
more in place of Mary Jenkinson.
Miss Edwards is usually superseded in Lancashire by a former

international player but in the last three territorial matches she has, as a substitute, shown considerable aptitude for scoring.

West had most of the play in
the first half and looked like
scoring on several occasions. In
defence Japet Edwards and Shoona

Franks played especially well. Even so. West had to wait until the second balf when they were a goal down, for their reward. Vanessa Kear somehow got the ball in the net from a prone position. Several good cross passes by both reams should have led to more goals.

South play Midlands tomorrow at Guinness Grounds, London, starting at 2 pm, in the final territorial match. Midlands need a win to avoid finishing last in the championship.

a win to avoic u NORTH: J. Kenyon (Lancashire: S. Duckworth (Lancashire), A. Lunt (Lancashire), B. Crail (Durham), R. Grainge (Durham), R. Crainge (Durham), R. Cart (Lancashire), M. Sonyave (Lancashire), V. Noing (Lancashire, Capitali), M. Jenkinson (Cheshire), P. Haselden (Lancashire), Capitali, M. Jenkinson (Cheshire), M. Jenk

Omersel. Umpires: Y. Horner and S. Davson. Skiing

BAD KLEIN KIRCHHEIM, Austria: Sialom: 1. W. Ortner: 1min 45.76sec: 2. A. Wenzel (Lichtenstein): 1:45.79; 3. P. de Chiesa (Italy): 1:46.97.

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ALSO RAN: 7-4 fay The Walte Jower. 7-1 Game David. 8-1 Road Head. 10-1 Ramadan. 16-1 Drange Gin :4th. 20-1 Black Jack Street. Country Progress, Falton. Gervalse wood. Golden Giggle, Irish Prince, Vianu, Live Spark. Royal Tanner, Vibrate :u., Wisden. 19 ran.
TOTE: Win. \$2.32: places, 64p, 19p.

[Judgments delivered February 2]
A lessee or tenant who has had
possession for the whole of the
term is thereafter estopped from
denying his lessor's or landlord's
title in respect of the period for
which he had possession unless,
after the termination of that
possession, a claim is made against
him by title paramount in respect
of some part of the period so that
he becomes in peril of an adverse
claim.

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Statements to the contrary in Harrison v. Wells ([1967] 1 QB 263) were made per incuriam.

The Court of Appeal, in reserved judgments, dismissed an aopeal by defendants, Associated Electrical Industries Ltd, of Stanbope Gate, Westminster, against the order of Judge Edgar Fay, QC, on the trial of prehiminary issues in April last year holding that the plaintiff company. Industrial Properties (Barton Hill) Ltd, of Stone Park Road, Bristol, was not debarred by the facts relating to title from suing the defendants and that the plaintiff company's reversion was sufficient to support its claim for damages for breach of repairing covenants in a document purportcovenants in a document purport-ing to be a lease dated October 24,

S.15 (3.19) GILLINGHAM HURDLE (Handlesp: E725: 2m)
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Court of Appeal.

Some of the factory buildings on the Barton Hill trading estate, in Bristol, had been occupied for years by AEI, and their predecesyears by AEI, and their predeces-sors. AEI had covenamed to repair them and to yield them up in repair. Their lease came to an end and they left the premises. They were in a very dilapidated condi-tion. It might cost 2200,000 to put them into proper repair. AEI said that they were not liable; that the people who let the premises to them were not the legal owners and so they were not bound to repair the premises when

bound to repair the premises when they left. It was a very technical point.
The freeholders had at all times been members of a family called

Parker, the Parker trustees. In 1959 the Parker trustees were advised that for tax purposes their advised that for tax purposes their properties should be transferred to bodies corporate. So three companies were formed, including the plaintiff company. In 1959 the trustees agreed to sell a part of the estate to the plaintiff company subject to a lease of 1946 by the trustees to General Electric Co. Ltd. (the predecessors of AED). The plaintiff company claimed damages for breach of covenant to damages for breach of covenant to repair premises at Barton Hill. Although the purchase price was paid, the property was never conserved. That was a deliberate decision, the lease. Four third parties and a fourth party had been joined in the action. It was stated by counsel that the cost of the litigation so far had exceeded £100,000.

Industrial Properties (Barton Hill) Ltd and Others v Associated Electrical Industries Ltd and Others

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice Roskill and Mr Kirk Reynolds for the plaintiffs.

In 1966 the plaintiff company remained the equitable owners, received the Rolls, Lord Justice Roskill and Mr Kirk Reynolds for the plaintiffs.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the main point was found to be equitable owners, received the rents and acted as landlord.

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lease in existence.
On October 24, 1966, the lease was executed between the plaintif company and AEI. It contained a company and AEJ. It companies a convenant by the lessee "to keep ... the demised premises ... in good and tenantable repair and condition and so to yield up the same ... at the end ... of the said term ". AEI had then occupied the premises and paid the rem".

occupied the premises and paid the rent.

The lease had been determined at the end of the first seven years. AEI gave up possession at Christmas, 1973.

In January, 1974, the plaintiff company issued a writ claiming damages against AEI for breach of the repairing covenant. AEI thought that they had no defence and submitted to judgment. Then they discovered that the plaintiff company was not the freeholder.

AEI then raised the point that they were not liable. They relied on Harrison v Wells. The judgment was set aside, AEI were given leave to defend. The Parker trustees were added as plaintiffs. AEI

in Harrison v Wells had been so wrong that it could be overruled. It had misunderstood Cuthbertson v Irving ((1859) 4 H & N 742). Baron Martin, at pp 751-758, was saying that if the lessee was evicted by title paramount he could dispute the lessor's title, but if he continued in possession (was not covicted by title paramount) he could not dispute it.

The conclusion from the authorities was that if a landlord let a

ties was that if a landlord let a tenant into possession under a lease, then, so long as the tenant remained in possession undis-turbed by any adverse claim, either during the term or holding over, then the tenant could not dispute the landlord's title. But if the tenant was disturbed in his possession by being evicted by title paramount or its equivalent then he could dispute the landlord's title. Short of eviction by title paramount, or its equivalent, the tenant was estopped from denying the title of his landlord. If that principle had been applied in Harrison v Wells the result would have

heen different.
AEI had not been subject to any adverse claim. It was a very proper case for the doctrine of tenancy by leave to defend. The Parker trustees were added as plaintiffs. AEI contended that they were not liable on the covenants.

In Harrison v Wells the Court of Appeal held that the doctrine that a "tenant cannot dispute his landlord's title" only applied while the renant was in possession. It did their responsibilities by relying on a technical rule of law, which on

extended to a case like the present where there were two agreements each of which was such that specific performance would be granted. Moreover seeing that AEI had had the whole of the consideration they were liable on the covenant in the lease.

In his Lordship's opinion Harri-son v Wells was wrongly decided per incuriam and should be over-

The doctrine of tenancy by estopped had proved of good service and should not be whittled down. In the present case there was no possibility of any adverse claim. The tenant was estopped from disquiries the length of the leng from disputing the landlord's title.

AEI were liable on the covenants.

The appeal should be dismissed. LORD JUSTICE ROSKILL, con-

curring, said that in Harrison v Wells, although the lease had run its full term, the lessee was in theory at risk from the owner of the legal estate. But neither that the legal estate. But neither that case nor Livingstone v Somers [1941] Ir R 183) was binding authority for the proposition that, after the determination of a lease by effluxion of time, the determination of the estoppel left a lesser free to challenge his lessor's title so as to avoid all liability under a dilapidations covenant when at no time was he in peril of action by time was he in peril of artion by the owner of the legal estate, when the owner of that legal estate had acquiesced in the grant of the lease to him, and when he had had the full benefit of the consideration

for which he had paid rent to his lessor. The court was free to hold, and his Lordship did bold, that a lessee or tenant who had had possession for the whole of the term was thereafter estopped from denying his lessor's or landlord's title in respect of the period for which he had had possession unless after the nate had possession unless after the termination of that possession a claim was made against him by title paramount in respect of some part of that period so that he became in peril of an adverse

Even if his Lordship had been of the opposite opinion on the estop-pel question, he would have held the "lease" effective as an agree-ment for a lease. The courts should not be astute to find reasons whereby lessees and tenants could escape easily from obligations into escape easily from obligations into which they freely entered.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON, also

agreeing, said that AEI had occu-pied the premises until the agree-ment was terminated in accordance with its terms. They had used the premises for seven years. When they went out of possession the premises were in a worse condition than when they went in. They con-rended that the law relieved them of liability. If it did, it was a strange and seemingly unjust law. While Harrison v Wells on its facts aught have been rightly decided, the wider statements in it

nounced in the morning.
Solicitors: Olding & Olding,
Newbury; Louch, Belcher & Co,
Newbury.

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Foreign divorce decree barred by public policy were evacuated to England dur the wife worked (which was not answer questions which would in-Kendall v Kendall

Family Division

Before Mr Justice Hollings A decree of divorce granted by deception of a court in Bolivia to a wife, in her absence and with out her knowledge, was refused recognition on the ground that its recognition would be against public policy.

Mr Justice Hollings granted a declaration to Mrs Deborah Eflerpi Kendall, of Newbury, Berkshire, that the decree was together. invalid. Mr Richard Lines for the wife;

Mr William Hunter for the husband. Mr Nicholas Alistair Kendall, of Wantage, Berkshire. HIS LORDSHIP said that the wife sought a declaration that a decree of dissolution of marriage pronounced by the Boliviz court on August 25, 1975, was not valid. The parties had married in Cyprus on December 12, 1964, the wife being a Cyprior, and there were three children. The husband, after service in the Royal Air Force, had obtained a post as a relecommunication engineer. They had bought a bouse in joint names in Newbury, though the husband's work was mainly abroad. In 1972 the husband was posted to Bolivia, the wife and children joining him in March 1973. It was plain that

ing the troubles there in August 1974.

Before the wife left Bolivia she was taken by her busband to two offices in La Paz. He told ber that she had to sign documents in order to take the children out of Bolivia. The documents were in Spanish. The wife, who could speak a little Spanish, did not

The wife had never contemplated divorce. While she was in England the husband wrote that he would he returning by August, 1975, but he did not mention anything about divorce proceedings. About the end of August, 1975, the husband went to Newbury to collect his car and told her that he had divorced her ig Bollsia.

Translation of the decree showed that the wife had obtained the decree as peritioner on the ground of physical cruelty as evidenced by severe physical assault. Oral evidence of the assaults was given by two witnesses.

Affidavit evidence from a Bolivian lawyer stated that a petitioner in Bolivian divorce proceedings could give a power of attorney so

that it was unnecessary to attend. It was assumed that there must have been a power of attorney the wife and children joining him have been a power of attorney in March 1973. It was plain that the marriage was nuhappy at that time. In June, 1974, the wife and children of the union (false); that the meed not the most of attorney of attorney of attorney. The busband had not sought to defend the proceedings, but he was present in court and had time. In June, 1974, the wife and children of the union (false); that

true); and that no property was criminate him. In reply to questions by his Lordship the husband had said that he had engaged a Divorces and Legal Separations
Act, 1971, provided that "the validity of an overseas divorce... shall be recognized if, at the date of the institution of proceedings in the country in which it was obtained in October, 1974.

tained—(a) either spouse was babitually resident in that counthe husband was habitually resident in Bolivia. The court had a discretion to refuse to recognize the decree under section 8(2)(a) if no notice had been given to the other spouse or without the other spouse having been given a reasonable opportunity to take part in the proceedings. The difficulty about relying on that section was

that the decree stated that the wife was the petitioner. Mr Lines, for the wife, relied on section \$(2)(b): recognition of a decree might be refused if "
recognition would manifestly contrary to public policy." He submitted that recognition should be refused if the decree offended

against English ideas of substan-tial justice: Middleton v Middle-ton ([1967] P 62, 69).
The busband had not sought to

long before the decree of divorce of August. 1975. His Lordship suspected that the His Lordship was satisfied that documents the wife had signed to husband was habitually resiredated to a power of attorney to obtain a decree in her name. The Bolivian court had been deceived. certainly by the lawyers, possibly by the collusion, connivance or at the insugation of the husband. In the circumstances it was manifestly contrary to public policy that decrees obtained in such a way should be given recognition. His Lordship was sure that the court in Bolivia, if apprised of the facts, would take steps effec-tively to invalidate the decree.

> Later his Lordship heard a petition for divorce by the husband on the ground of two years' separation, the wife consenting. He indicated that Mr Kendall would be granted a decree and that it would be proposed in the morning.

were made per incurism and need not be followed. AEI were estopped from denying the plaintiffs' title.

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g Staff Trianon. 1.0 Shore Captain. 1.30 Major Role. 2.0 Socket II. 3.0 Argent. 3.30 Blue Fire. 4.0 Faculty.

Grangewood Girl, supported from 9 to 1 to 6 to 1 with Mecca for tomorrow's Stones Ginger Wine Handicap Steeplechase at Sandown Park, is a doubtful starmarket Correspondent Far. 3.30 Tartar Prince.

When is a student not a student? When the Home Office thinks he's an Unperson

Every time I think that some new revelation about the conduct of the Home Office marks the lowest possible point that that noisome place can reach, some instinct warns me not to say so, because of the possibility that, despite the apparently conclusive evidence provided by the measuring apparatus, there is still room for them to behave even worse. And so it has proved once more.

The British Council publishes a regular digest of statistics on the numbers of students from other countries who are at British universities, from which it is possible to see not only the enormous number and variety of countries whose students come here, but how many come from each. Not long ago, a senior official of one of the colleges of London University, whose duties oblige him to attend to such matters, noticed that in the latest edition of the booklet there was no mention of students from Taiwan, though his university (and doubtless many others) has a number of such students; indeed, for some time there have been anything up to a score of Taiwanese students (mostly very good ones, it seems) enrolled each year at his college. He therefore wrote to the British Council to ask why the Taiwanese students, though they undoubtedly existed in numbers as great as ever,

comprehensive publication. He re-ceived the following reply: Since students are now coming again from the People's Republic of China under the auspices of the British Council and since in con-sequence we no longer officially receive any students from Taiwan, the separate statistics relating to Taiwanese students have as a matter of policy been deleted from the

received no mention in an otherwise

That, I may say, was itself well up to Home Office standards, even including the customary shifty non

mainland China, therefore the statistics of those from Taiwan are omitted —but where is the causal connexion?). For note what has actually happened: it is not that students from Taiwan have been barned from Britain because students from China now come here (though no doubt the Foreign Office is working towards that happy end), but that, although they still come, it has been decided "as a matter of policy" to decided "as a matter of policy" to pretend that they don't. (Whose policy, incidentally? If the British Council's, to whom is it accountable for such decisions? If not, who has the power to impose policy on the Council, and how surreptitiously was it exercised on this occasion?)

Unsatisfied with this reply, the university official wrote a letter to an academic colleague, in which he set out the problem as he saw it. I cannot do better than quote the relevant passage from his letter:

To my mind, the attitude revealed, presumably at the behest of the Government, is wholly wrong. "Students are now coming again from the People's Republic of China under the auspices of the British Council "-this is a very good thing: let the university york have no political barriers. "In consequence we no longer officially receive any students shameful, and universities in the United Kingdom should not take it lying down. "Statistics relating to Taiwanese students have as a matter of policy been deleted from the booklet "-not because there are no such students, but because we shut our eves and refuse to see them. . . When you come to think of it closely, we are trying to do in reverse what we condemn the South African government for doing. And it is more than a mere matter of pub-

lishing statistics: any visas for Taiwanese student entry have to be obtained through Hongkong, and we are finding difficulties put in the way-one must not say so, it is all landvertent, the papers just happen to be mislaid for some months, and a given student does not turn up. . . . If we care about free access to our own universities, for students and scholars from all countries, without discrimination, ought we not to set about raising

Now any proposal for raising Cain naturally turns the thoughts of those interested in the project towards me; the university official concerned, however, might not have got in touch with me had it not been for a par-ticular application of the "policy" that I have so far expounded only in general. And that is where the Home Office comes in.

The control of entry into this country is one of the functions of the Home Office; that department is, quite properly, concerned to see that those coming here comply with all the appropriate regulations; these include a requirement that visitors such as students shall not be a charge on public funds, and that they shall be genuinely in a position, defined by the educational standards they have attained, to undertake the course of study for which they are to be admitted.

Vigilance on these matters is necessary and right, and on the face of it, therefore, there was nothing improper about the following letter, received from the Home Office by a professor in the college under dis-cussion (I have deleted the name of the student concerned).

We have received a letter dated September 30, 1976, certifying that Mr XXX has been accepted for a course starting on Monday, October 4, 1976. confirm that Mr XXX has given adequate financial guarantees for maintenance and tuition.

With regard to qualifications, as it is understood that Mr XXX was required to leave Soochow University in February 1976, because of poor academic performance, is it considered that he now has the qualifications to pursue the course for which he has

To this my informant replied, giving the requisite financial assurances and adding, on the other point:

We have in our possession a copy

of a certificate from the Registrar of Soochow University, Taiwan, indicating that Mr XXX received the degree of BSc in June 1976. We have also an attested transcript of his academic record, of which the grades indicate an academic performance which we should regard as adequate for the pursuance of a postgraduate course . . these grades, I may add, are pretty high. You say in your letter that "it is understood that Mr XXX was required to leave Soochow University in February 1976 because of poor academic performance": we have seen no evidence at all which would bear this statement out. If you could give us any further information from some public or private source, we shall appreciate it.

The reply he got to this from the Home Office explains the opening words of this column. It reads, in

I regret the delay in replying to your letter of October 18, about Mr XXX.

I am unable to provide any further information about Mr XXX but would suggest that you may wish

To this, the recipient replied in | The tumult of opposition from words on which, again, I am unable to improve:

We regard it as highly unsatis-factory, indeed reprehensible, that a government official should make statements which denigrate a student's academic performance, refuse to substantiate them when asked, and suggest that we should ourselves query the documenta-Soochow University. We shall of course do nothing of the kind. We note further, that the student is Taiwanese. It would appear (from this and other evidence during the past year) that consequently he cannot expect fair treatment from government departments.

It would indeed. And the matter could be put more forcefully still; it seems that the Home Office now feels free to use unsupported defamation against those officially categorized, for political reasons, as Unpersons, when it is challenged to produce a basis for the untruthful allegations, brusies tie request aside without even pretending to have had any reason to believe them true.

Well, this at any rate has got to be stopped. For obvious reasons, I have not named the student; for reasons less obvious but to me sufficient, I have not named the college either. The signatures on the two letters from the Home Office are—understandably, perhaps—illegible: I had better say plainly that I am perfectly prepared to have a shot at deciphering them for the benefit of my readers if, in the event of an unsatisfactory response to the disclosure of this scandal, I am obliged to return to the subject. Meanwhile, should Mr Rees be sufficiently concerned at this evidence of further malpractise by his department to do something about it. the reference number on both Home Office letters is W 133898.

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State firms may open the door to let workers into the boardroom in the of

industrialists to the Bullock report on industrial democracy has obscured developments in the public sector that would appear to confound the jeremiahs of private enterprise. Bullock, of course, was concerned solely with the private sector, but hand in hand with that inquiry, the Government established an inter-departmental investigation to ascertain how much demand there was for industrial democracy in the state industries and services, and to what extent it would be feasible to give trade unionists a share in the management of their enterprises.

This inquiry has been going on for well over a year, and so far nothing has been heard of it. In the absence of evidence to the contrary, it must be assumed that its findings will be made available to the Cabinet, but not published, which is a pity because it must contain some valuable information about trade union attitudes in the public sector.

The Government has told the TUC that the legislation being introduced later in this session of Parliament, the Industrial Democracy (Companies and Nationalised Industries) Bill will, as its title indicates, cover both private and public sectors.

The TUC has now launched

an internal inquiry among unions with membership in state firms, asking how far they want the process of power-sharing to go in their industries. That was the course of action decided upon by the TUC Nationalised Industries Committee last week at the prompting of Mr Ray Buckton, the train drivers' leader.

At first sight, that looks remarkably like jumping the gun on the Government's legislative timetable. Rather, it is a delaying tactic. There are those, like Mr Jack Jones, who want the public sector to give a lead in introducing industrial democracy. There are those, like Mr Buckton, who adopt a more cautious line, and there are those, like Mr Frank Chapple, the electricians' leader, who want nothing to do with Bulled to the street and price of the leader of the street are those. with Bullock-style trade union directors.

between national interest and moral sentiment? The "diag-The setting of the nationalized industries is vastly differeat from the private sector, and in many ways is more suited to the unions' power aspira-Vier, propounded the other tions. To begin with, there are day at the Royal Institute of International Affairs. Power no shareholders to worry about. By statute, the boards of state and ethics should be seen in terms of dimensions, he sug-

industries are obliged to recognize and consult with appropriate trade unions. Where there is no formal closed shop, as in electricity, gas. British Rail and the Post Office, there is a defacto closed shop, as in the

Representation could scarcely be through any other instrument than the trade unions. In addition, the managers of state industries are more used to exercising their power within social and political constraints; activity needs to be diagnoal." they are not being asked, as are the managers of large private companies, to give up long cherished powers.
The TUC's investigation will

discover a wide range of trade union participation in state industry already, with many more developments in the pipeline. In steel, for example, trade unionists already sit on divisional committees of management, and industry's largest union. the Trop and Steel Trades Confederation, is pressing for greater representation on the main board, where a worker director and a retired official of the union already

must not be over-squeamish. A managerial revolution is pending at the Post Office, where the unions are within David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent sight of the boardroom. A



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Still on the question of morality, an examination of self-interest What price principles in foreign policy?

Although we live in such scales can be tipped that way, materialist times, it is surpris. The reality is different Any ing how often moral questions come up in foreign policy. Our moral sense dictates a clear-clut preference", as President Carter put it in his inaugural address, "for those societies which share with us an abiding respect for individual human rights". This may be a long way down the scale from Kennedy's "we shall pay any price . . . to assure the survival and success of liberty", but it does stem from

the same humane impulse.
In Britain we necessarily take a less grandiose view of the world. The proposed ban by postal workers on services to South Africa was simply the latest instance of an argument about relations with South Africa that has dragged back and forth for years, and will go on doing so. Some questions are large: what should the British attitude be to India, when democratic rights and liberties are threatened? Others are quite pre-cise: was the Foreign Secre-tary right or wrong in refusing to grant any official recognition to the commemoration of the Katyn martyrs?

The conflict between princi-ple and expediency is of course as old as history. But it is just as difficult to resolve today and in Britain's reduced state, perhaps even more difficult. For what has changed is Britain's capacity to influence other nations, either morally or materially. Some people (like the nuclear disarmers of the fifties) may still think that as Britain's importance in the world has declined, so our influence can enhanced—or at least that the

Foreign Secretary quickly learns that without the economic resources to back him up, his diplomacy rests on very littie but persuasion and the good offices of others—look at Rhodesia, look at oil, look at What is more, most countries in the modern world are

likely to appear somewhat un-attractive, from the point of view of civil and political rights (granted there are other criteria, which other cultures rate more highly than our own). According to the American publication, Freedom at Issue, which looks at human rights across the world, less than 20 per cent of the world's population now live in free societies. Three members of the European Community failed to qualify for its top table of "most free" measured by civil rights (France, Italy and Ireland) though all, bar one (Luxembourg) make highest ranking on political rights. Culy two countries outside Western Europe, the white Commonwealth and the United States rank in both the top lists: Barbados and Costa

All in all some 40 countries were classified as "free" last year, which leaves 50 countries "partly free" and nearly 70
"not free". It follows, however one may disagree with the choices here and there. that a British government is going to be dealing and trad-ing with some fairly unplea-sant customers, whether it sant customer likes it or not.

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Mr Crosland: Benefits will outweigh the costs

living, foreign policy has to be South Africa: but the line on directed towards achieving that defence contracts is clearly same, to be utterly repugnant to press this aim to its limit in all cases. And the moral question can be put in the form of where do you draw the line? The French authorities, in the release of Mr Abu Daoud, followed the next day by the announcement of a huge arms deal with the Arabs, gave the impression (deny it as they will) that national self-interest was the only criterion. Britain is to survive and to make a will, of necessity, trade with

The Labour Party, which feels moral issues very deeply (it used to be Spain that was ing respectable now), has lat-terly relegated Chile to the somewhat inconsistent about its judgments, holding its fire about other Latin American republics which behave any better on human rights-let alone the Soviet

It could be that the high level

of political excitement between 1974 and 1976—with two general elections and two changes of Prime Minister—has unreasonably raised our expectations. Whetever the property of the property of

pectations. Whatever the reason, the state of British politics at present is uncommonly

Parliament sits up late night after night discussing the irre-

deemably tedious issue of devo-lution. Presumably the Gov-ernment hope that people will get so tired of the subject that

pressure will evaporate and they will be able to get away with doing nothing. They could

be right.
Like the even less meaning-

ful question of the Attorney General's relationship with the

General's relationship with the courts and Parliament, this is dubbed a "constitutional issue " and is therefore treated with great solemnity by commentators, in spite of its intrinsic unimportance. I met an Australian reporter the other night, and he was entire sheafed the

and he was quite shocked that I failed to share his view that

devolution threatened the very

foundations of society as we

stripe. Some—I spotted Ian

Gilmour-were not reformers

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matters is not every ing compension with each thing. Some Conservatives have other. Whereas the modern been more vocal in support of world is above all interdepenthe settler regime in Rhodesia dent than anyone else, but no one seriously doubts that the party favours a democratic solution in Southern Africa.

Certainly it is easier to Michael Howard, author of strike moral attitudes at long The Theory and Practice of distance (on Santiago rainer than Clay Cross). If jobs were threatened in a direct way, would MPs in the constituencies concerned be so heated on moral issues? Clearly not, But Britain is a moral country, and these matters do count. An in-teresting instance is coming up in the European Community where, as Mr Crosland pointed out in his first major speech Enropean policy-Britain should be prepared to accept certain competition, and presumably loss of trade and economic advantages, in encouraging the entry of countries like Greece, Spain and Portugal. "The political benefits of enlargement", he told the

outweigh all the practical The case for applying moral

judgments in dealings abroad, as they are at home, has been put many times. The question is, how? The basic argument was well summarized by Mr Hattersley when he was at the Office, when he argued that the pursuit of selfinterest at all costs risks turning into an obsession with short-term gains; that self-interest changes so rapidly, that its obsessive pursuit produces upsetting contradictions in policy; and finally that such a policy is based on the assump-

The Times **Diary**

A good, juicy scandal needed

Italian delicatessen on the corner of his street—regarded as a great amenity by the en-croaching middle class. Har-rington talked about the silver

I tried to engage an economist in conversation about our future, but he would only vouchsafe that he did not think monetarism was the answer. With the economic crisis in temporary abeyance and no general election in prospect until next year, there is little prospect of

excitement chead.

All of which makes for hard times for political writers. One of them lamented: "I simply couldn't bear to write about devolution this week, so I did piece about Parliamentary Private Secretaries." Desperate indeed. What we need is a

jubilee, this is also about to be the Year of the Snake. The Chinese community in London intend to celebrate both in a grander manner than usual, and yesterday they unveiled a 140ft silver dragon which will form the highlight of their new year celebrations in Trafalgar

"Usually we have the lion dance, which is a lesser ceremony", explained Vincent Choy, the Soho restaurateur. "But for the jubilee, we are doing something angula?"

the beast), is rarely seen even in Hongkong. The dragon was sent by the Hongkong Govern-ment, and the dancers will be drawn from the Chinese restaurants of London.

Choy calculates that there could now be 30,000 Chinese in London. His private project for jubilee year is to raise £500,000 to open a Chinese school in Soho, where the immigrants will be taught their own language and culture, and where English housewives will be able to learn Cantonese cooking. He has already been hard at work persuading the Hotel and Cater-ing Industry Training Board to give English lessons to Chinese waiters.

The Year of the Snake should, according to the Chinese, be a good year, better than the Year of the Dragon which coming to a close. "The Dragon is always a fiery year." Choy observed. "Look what Choy observed. "Look what happened to Mao Tse-rung and Chou Eu-lai."

Clergymen should record their own voices in church, according to the Bishop of Ely, the Rt Rev Edward Roberts, writing in his Diocesan Gazette. "Some of us parsons ought to install a tape recorder at the back of the church and play it to ourselves to experience what our long-suffering congreeations have to endure Sunday after Sunday—that is, if our wives and churchwardens won't

Symbolic

I am told that there is a new weapon in the arsenal of inter-necine strife. The Clause 4 Tribunite Young Socialists, who are engaged in a power struggle with the Trotskyist Militant group, are said to have taken to distributing propelling pen-cils capped with little ice-picks. The macabre piece of symbolism is kept under close wraps as it did on the day that our

of 80 (24 inside the body of though, and checking its existence proved no easy matter. Andy Bevan, the Labour Party's Trotskyist youth officer, who should know about such things, is not allowed to speak to reporters without the authoriration of the Transport House bosses, Reg Underbill or Ron Hayward. On this occasion authorization was not forth-

> Barrie Clarke, the party's education officer and Bevan's predecessor in the youth office, was also elusive—having gone to ground I was told, in Swanwick. Worse, Mike Gates, the chairman of the Labour students and a key figure in the Clause 4 group, had fled to Romania, and the whereabouts of Brian Deare, who edits the Clause 4 news sheet, were quite unknown at Transport House. Any reader who can lay hands on one of the potent pencils, or even snatch a photoeraph of one, is invited to send it in for examination.

Shaming

Justow Serious, my cricket cor-respondent, writes: Humiliation. That was the word on every pukka sahib's lips in the stews of Bangalore tonight after England's groping, graceless, grovelling defeat in the fourth Test match against

Granted, the pitch could have been-maybe was-made to measure for the Indian spin-

Granted, there were good grounds for believing that the Indians had wiped mango chutney on the ball to improve their

Granted, there were some suspect umpiring decisions, especially when Tolchard was given out I-b-w at the nonstriker's end. But even granted all that, it was a sorry, shambling, shame

ful defeat, particularly coming



foreign showed signs of rec A serious question captain. Tony Greig over-confident skippe throughout the ma more interested in i himself with the circus-like clowning achieving victory.

England desperate captain who can wir who can score run who can take wicket: who can pick a succe In boiling Bangalc shaming thing to

tonight.

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conditions of society as we know it. Certainly politicians do not seem to be talking about it, or indeed about anything political, to judge from my experience on Wednesday night, when I went to a "drinks party" given by the Tory Reform Group. It was a morose, thinly-attended £8.00 A Collective Passport £10.00 Amending an existing passport £2.00 £2.50 Adding particulars of a child good scandal. £2.00 £2.50 was a morose, thinly attended affair, held in the forbiddingly Fiery chaste conference centre next Besides being the year of the to Westminster Cathedral. Besides being the year of the jubilee, this is also about to be A few senior Conservatives were there, all wearing dark grey suits with a thin white

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Mixture of confidence and unease

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The alliance with Japan remains the cornerstone of schedule this american policy in the Far clergy and lay people, and sympthesis on foreign on foreign of more policial policial leaders, Christian clergy and lay people, and students. The press and broadcasting stations have that the loss of South Korea to the communists without exception agreed to operate within the political framework set by President framework set by Pre

Between 1962 and June last National Council of Churches vagery, hardly year American equity invests in Korea, which groups six kim Il-sung's ment amounted to more than Protestant churches, some soutside world. \$258m (£152m) and that by penole are detained without the sunger of American characters of American for a long time and clombo, North ican multinationals to more others are reied without to get the sup than \$92m (£54m). Japanese recourse to defence lawyers. hoped for and investment over the same it withdrew a period came to more than beating and deprivation of tion on the \$628m (£329m). Japanese sleep are common procedures

Maintenance of US units

Any withdrawal of United States forces will thus be carefully aligned with the growth in the ability of South Korea to defend itself. As it lags well behind the North in air power, this will mean the maintenance of USAF units in Korea after Roman Catholic cathedral in is reported to the ground troops have gone.

According to diplomatic sources in Seoul this is likely to take the form of discreet pressure on President Park to relax political control at home

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out central reservations so that they can quickly be turned into airstrips; the lowering of blinds on a civilto hide the air force base there; the shout of pil seong (ever victorious) by soldiers as they salute and the marching songs of the presidential

No peace agreement exists between North and South Korea, merely an armed truce which brought the Korean war to an end on July 27, 1953. More than one milion troops are ranged on either side of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), a two-andand the rapprochement between the Americans and the Chinese the cold war on the Korean peninsula re-mains bitterly intense.

Korea has an army of 520,000, an air force of 30,000, a navy of 25,000 and a 20,000-strong division of Marines while reserves and para-military forces amount to more than two million. The period of conscription South Korean officials are for the Army and Marines is confident that by 1980 they will have far outstripped the North economically. However, they express the fear the North for the Army and Marines is two and a half years and three years for the Navy and Air Force.

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Clear signs of obsession with security

Visiting South Korea you are soon struck by that country's 151-mile armistice line, be obsession with security. In the course of daily life you came across so much evidence of military preparedness.

This includes the curfew from midnight to 4 am from midnight to 4 am Seoul, which has been in Third Army The This includes the curfew from midnight to 4 am in Seoul, which has been in force since the Second World War and has conditioned the nocturnal habits of an entire generation of Koreans; the allocation of more than one third of the budget to defence; the monthly civil defence the monthly civil defence drill in which traffic comes to a halt and people seek shelter in buildings; stretches of motorway without central reservations so piace of the military armistice commission, the front
line is manned entirely by
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armies. The Han river
estuary and the islands
beyond are garrisoned by
Korean marines.
The Korean First Army The Korean First Army,

the frontier. The Second Army, which is responsible for logistics and training, covers the remainder of the country and is divided into four district commands. The United States Air Force has combat squadrons behind the front line at Osan and Kunsan. a-half-mile-wide corridor which cuts diagonally across the 38th Parallel. Despite détente between the United States and the Soviet Union would be exercised by the would be exercised by the Commander-in-Chief, United

It is estimated that South

North economically. However, they express the fear that Kim Il-sung might launch an offensive against them before the gap becomes the by about 41,000 American troops, including 33,000 dent of being able to repel a full-scale invasion but realize that any outbreak of violence on the peninsula could scare off needed foreign investment.

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vanced a few miles to the Imjin river all of Seoul would be within range. By air the capital is only a few minutes' flight from North Korean bases. In 1975 the Americans

enunciated a nine-day strategy to smash an invasion from North Korea. In the comprising eight divisions, first five days about 1,000 from Okinawa and B52s from guards the eastern sector of waves a day of B52 strategic Guam. Also a naval battle waves a day of 1832 strategic Guant. As a bombers and tactical aircraft squadron was would be sent over the Seventh Fleet.

North. It would also be Despite this pounded by artillery and strength the S field guns. The succeeding four days would be spent in mopping-up operations by

Possible heavy loss of life

Commander-in-Chier, United Nations Command, who is also commander of United out of the South Koreans; States forces in Korea. This thus the decision to stand means that the South cannot fast on the DMZ even though embark on full-scale military it would entail severe clashes It is felt that the loss of embark on full-scale military action without American and possibly heavy loss of life from the outset. There is no established second line an Army estimated at 430,000 men, an Air Force of 45,000 and a Navy of 20,000. In fact the military appear 45,000 and a Navy of 20,000 to think that there would Reserves are put at more be little to stop the enemy than two million. Military once the front line had been service is seven years for the breached until one reached Army, five years for the the extreme south. Army, five years for the the extreme south.

John and Sergeant missiles with nuclear capability and

Despite this be tempted to make a minor per helicopters and in a new years should be up to assembling them as well. High-hope that its success would speed patrol boats are detract attention from the already being built for the political and economic difficulties he faces at home or

mand.

on the North after the killing of two American soldiers on the border last August. With-in 24 hours of that incident crossed the Pacific from Idaho and was ready to go into action against the North.

radar station on Peklyong increase the calibre of their monitors the movements of tank guns from 90mm to North Korean aircraft. The 105mm, although the Ameri-islands are garrisoned by cans think that the smaller Korean marines and come bore is sufficient for the Korean marines and come under United Nations Com- Korean theatre.

American presence, which Last year South Korea emincludes battalions of Honest barked on a five-year Armed Forces improvement plan by the end of which it aims to the ability to call on powerful air and naval reinforcements, is thought sufficient
to deter any such action.

The nature of the American commitment to South
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March after the killing

The North after the killing

troduced in 1975.

South Korea is weakest visa squadron of F-111s had a vis the North in air power, having just over 200 combat aircraft compared to the lat-ter's 600. Many of the South's Phantoms and RF4s came up korean war and are being from Okinawa and B52s from Korean war and are being Guam. Also a naval battle replaced by F4s and F5s. A squadron was sent by the Guam. Also a naval battle squadron of S2F anti-squadron was sent by the squadron aircraft is also being formed.

South Korea has the capa strength the South Koreans billity to overhaul aircraft and feel that Kim Il-sung might helicopters and in a few

culties he faces at home or For the Army, rifles, to test the resolve of the new machine gons and sub-American administration. machine guns are manufac-The most vulnerable point tured, and artillery is in southern defences appears assembled, locally. South to be five islands in the West Korea expressed the wish or Yëllow Sea called Pektopong, Taechong, Sochong, at the beginning of last Yonpyong and U. They lie year but has so far been close to the 38th Parallel but confined by the Americans to well north of the line of the improving the M-47s and DMZ in the west and face M-48s it already possesses, the North Korean coast. A The Koreans also wanted to radar station on Peklyong increase the calibre of their

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A country heavily dependent on overseas trade

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for a self-sustaining econ-omy. Trade accounts for the to achieve an annual average is import-related but, because The fir

of late 1973. A quick approximate guide is the country's says the figure should reach balance of payments.

Because of soaring bills for oil imports and, at the time of the oil-related recession, sagging exports, South Korea has also mandous trade deficit of \$2,000m in 1974. Last year it reduced the deficit is less than \$3m. a figure that surprised even its own economic planners.

"The difficult times are over", Government officials say. Their sigh of relief is justified.

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Self-help villages more aid

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The idea was first proposed by President Park, faire capitalism aimed ar
himself a child of the backward and poverty-striken
Korean countryside, on April
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The first phase was mainly development amid rapid for a self-sustaining economy. Trade accounts for the equivalent of more than 70 per cent of its gap. In addition, it still has to borrow foreign capital to build new industries and to pay back leans.

So the way it survived what many described as an exchange crisis during 1974-75 was observed carefully both at home and abroad.

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they should be compensated for eviction but the majority receive nothing because they are tenants, not owners.

Reports on working conditions are no better. There are buildings divided into lofts three or four feet high in which girls of 15 or 16 sit for up to 18 hours.

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conditions are considered good, the starting wage is 400 won (about 44p) a day.

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South Korea has a labour year.

law which sets a minimum on July 1 a new medical age and a kind of minimum insurance scheme will be mage for employment and introduced. All companies prescribes an eight-hour with 500 or more employees working day. However, in and companies of whatever the drive for economic size within special industrial growth its provisions are complexes will have to establish medical insurance the performance unions are too weak to do minimum. Payment of pre-

unions are too weak to do unions. Payment of preanything about it.

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in the countryside, audiences laugh, talk and drink the local rice wine and give shouts of "Bravo!" during the performance. The energetic dancing and colourful ture has muc costumes, the laughter and audience rapport capture the Koreau farmers' vitality and animation.

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say that Korea was Seoul is the place a visitor walls, temples and grottoes, lace to live in, but ordinarily sees first, and gets a stone observatory tower dn't want to visit to know best. It is an intrigular shaped like a ninepin, huge using blend of the old and royal tomb mounds and a new. of the brash and stylish new museum this has changed quaint; even in the centre crammed with artifacts from eninsula, once well of the city one can discover their excavation — notably m the tourist cir. old neighbourhoods of bouses gold helmet crowns and shalked up an envision boddled under tile roofs striking jewelry with a viking appearance.

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amid small gardens.

In addition, there are three royal palace parks preserved from the days of the monar-The town is scheduled to be developed into an international resort over the next rooms and suitable amenities museums and amusement projected under joint ventures with foreign capital, already begun.

A second international resort is planned for the Sorak Mountain National Park on the north-east coast. In winter there is a ski lodge available near by, while summer holidaymakers find fine beaches for bathing. There are also smart pe impressive gains and varied restaurants, an There is already a modern past. Figures ebullient night life, and hotel in the resort town and in the story: in the plenty of attractive shopping several more are to be built, agears, the number arcades. One can seek out along with recreational factors. t arrivals rose at the bars and cabarets and lities, principally to attract se annual rate of tearooms that cater to locals Japanese tourists who will be able to cross the narrow sea between the two countries An evening out ends fairly or this year is one early because of Seoul's mid-when a ferry and air service are instituted.

The third resort project in night curfew but the streets

are safe at any hour as violent crime and anti-social terms of sovernment priority will be the southern island province of Cheju, two hours by air from the capital or by ferry.
There are already several

modern hotels on Cheju, not-ably the 14-storev KAL Hotel in Cheju city, and t from the tourist big southern port city. Only t from Hongkong, and titional air fare for of Suwon, there is a folk village for tourists which after a daily, or more are planned along with lage for tourists which after a daily, or more wanishing rural life-style.

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King Sejong's alphabet a unique achievement

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declared Buddha's birthday a national holiday. The holiday festivities include a Dong Cathedral stands out like an anachronistic monistic monistic may feel hantern parades, prayer sessions, and concerts of Buddhist music.

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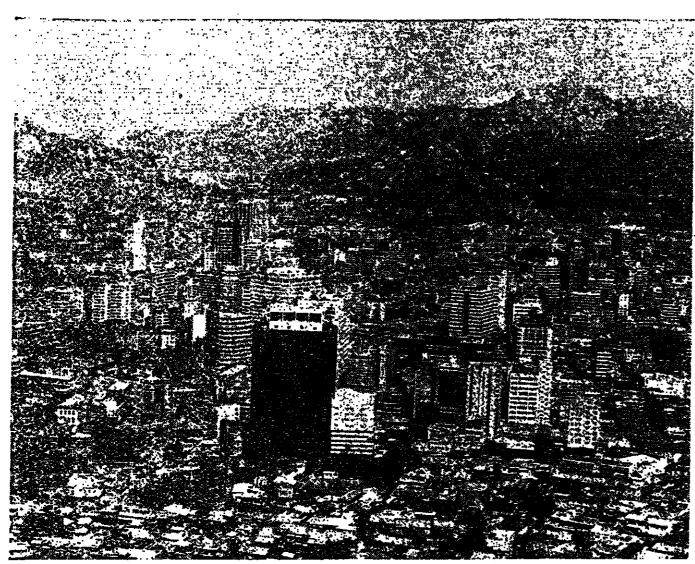
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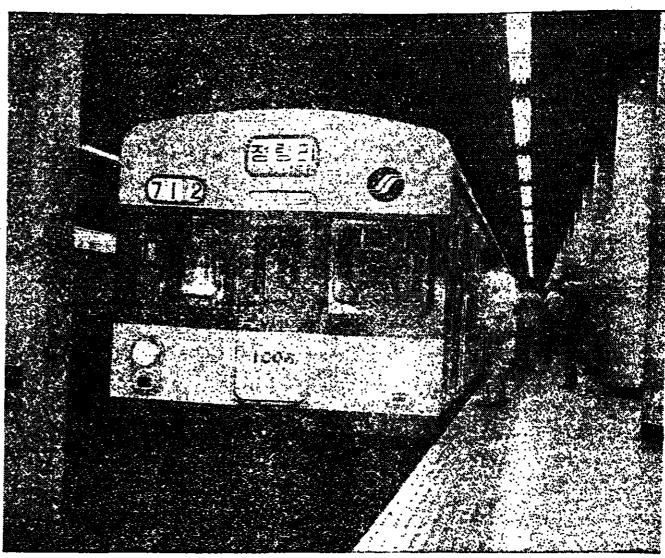
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Korea looks confidently ahead after

A YEAR OF UNPRECEDENTED PROGRESS

In the Republic of Korea they will remember 1976 as a year of wonders filled, as President Park Chung Hee said in his New Year Message, "with greater rewards and rejoicing than any year in the past". It saw the triumphant completion of the Third Five-Year Plan, with results exceeding the most optimistic expectations, a bumper harvest despite various natural disasters, and dynamic industrial growth. Taking into account the unsettled state of China following the death of Mao Tse-tung and the unrest in other neighbouring countries, it was the year in which Korea emerged as the most stable economy in the Far East. A nation made prosperous by capitalism (the agreeable face), Korea now stands ready to make further advances through its Fourth Five-Year Plan, confident in its economic strength and at last poised to reap the rich rewards of long, hard years of toil. Economically the Republic of Korea has accomplished what it said it would accomplish. It has arrived.

The "Managed Miracle"

This was the name given by the world of industry and commerce to the transformation of Korea from a backward, war-stricken country to one that now bids fair to become a leading industrial nation of the western Pacific. The change has been brought about in the amazingly short period of 15 years and it has been wrought not so much by a miracle but, as President Park has said, by "the blood, sweat and tears 35 million people of Korea have given for the country". To which must be added skilful planning and a natural aptitude for creating the sort of climate that would attract foreign investment.

The First Five-Year Plan, launched in 1962, restored national confidence and by developing infrastructure and export-oriented light industry provided a basic foundation for further development. The Second Five-Year Plan. launched in 1967, saw the promotion of other export industries including synthetic fibres, electrical equipment and petrochemical products, and the development of the heavy and chemical industries. Both the export of consumer goods and the import substitute of raw materials increased, and there was considerable expansion of the road and communications networks. The Third Five-Year Plan, just completed, has seen impressive advances in iron and steel production, shipbuilding, the automobile industry and the manufacture of electronic and electrical equipment. As a result the Gross National Product has increased 12 times over 1961, the per capita GNP increase being eight times. Exports, which in 1961 amounted to little more than \$40 million, soared to over \$3,100 million in 1976, an increase of about 200 times, the export expansion rate in that year alone being 50 per cent.

The Pattern for the Future

The Fourth Five-Year Plan (1977-81), based on the principles of "growth", "efficiency" and "social equity", aims at nothing less than a self-sufficient economy. The plan gives top priority to the iron and steel, nonferrous metal, petrochemical and electronics industries and to

training highly skilled technicians for precision engineering and other advanced industries. Special emphasis will be placed on developing the machine industry as part of the upgrading of the industrial structure and more particularly to meet defence requirements. The export target of \$10,000 million is expected to be reached well ahead of schedule and to exceed \$20,000 million by the end of 1981. By that time at the latest balance should be achieved in international payments and the per capita GNP should exceed \$1,500.

The plan also provides for the advancement of living standards and the social welfare of the people. A free medical aid programme has already been introduced and a start will soon be made on a medical insurance system. More and better housing, improved water supply and more funds for education come within its scope, the ultimate aim being "to create a society in which all the people equally share in the affluence".

Growth and Investment

Although the Fourth Five-Year Plan envisages a considerable increase in domestic savings—indeed the hope is that Korea will be able to provide all her investment needs from domestic resources in 1981—investment from abroad will almost certainly be needed during the plan period though perhaps not on the scale envisaged a few months ago, when some sources were talking in terms of \$10 billion. So there are still opportunities for foreign enterprises wishing to invest in Korea's success.

The active encouragement of foreign investments has been basic government policy since planning began in the early 1960s. To attract the investor valuable incentives, guarantees and privileges under such measures as the Foreign Capital Inducement Act of 1964 have been provided. They include complete exemption from corporate, income, property and acquisition taxes for the first five years of operation, and 50 per cent of these taxes for a further three years. Foreign investors are guaranteed repatriation of capital and remittance of profits, and the full protection of their property by law.*

There is no legal limit on the foreign investment ratio, but for the post part joint ventures with 50 per cent foreign participation are preferred to those involved 100 per cent foreign ownership. The minimal foreign investment in certain industries—for example shipbuilding, perrochemicals and metals—is \$200,000. But in others such as electronics and machinery it may be only \$100,000 provided the project is economically viable, or even \$50.000 for export projects using domestic raw materials and requiring advanced technology.

* Further information can be obtained by writing direct to the Bureau of Foreign Investment Promotion, The Economic Planning Board, Seoul, Korea; or by contacting The Korean Embassy, 4 Palace Gate, London W8 5NF (Tel:01-581 0247).

Free Export Zones and Industrial Estates

A vital part in the balanced development of the economy has been played by the free export zones and industrial estates established by the government "for the benefit of foreign business interests." There are some 24 of them and they are already contributing more than 20 per cent of Korea's exports. By the early 1980s their share of exports will have increased to more than 30 per cent.

The estates have all the infrastructure and facilities one might expect and offer all the usual incentives and privileges to the foreign investor. The two free export zones have excellent port facilities and, like the other industrial estates, have management offices of the Industrial Estates Administration (IEA) on site to hendle the administrative and other problems of resident industries. The industrial estates have been so successful that experts have come from a number of other countries to study the Korean way of going about things.

The older and slightly larger of the two free export zones is Masan, occupying more than 233 acres of reclaimed land near the south coast seaport-city of that name. More than 100 foreign companies are established in MAFEZ, as the zone is called, occupying either privately-constructed factories or government-built standard factories.

Lack of space at Masan led to the establishment in 1973 of the Iri free export zone (IFEX) on some 228 acres near the west coast port of Gunsan. Intended mainly for light industry Iri, like Masan, is a bonded government estate where tax and customs regulations are waived or suspended to allow the free flow of equipment, raw materials and semi-finished goods for the assembly or manufacture of export products.

The Gumi Export Industrial Estate covers more than 2,600 acres beside the Nagdong River and adjoining the Seoul-Pusan Express Highway. It was established in 1973 to promote the growth of the electronics industry by concentrating it in one area, although Gumi also turns out textiles and other more general products. The Korea Export Industrial Corporation has six estates covering a total of 820 acres in the Yongdungpo and Inchon areas near Seoul. Established in 1964, the Corporation was the first of its kind in the republic and today its estates accommodate some 343 companies including more than 90 ioint-venture firms.

The Korean Government has established six special complexes in the eastern and southern coastal areas for expansion of the machinery, shipbuilding, petrochemical and iron and steel industries. One of the most impressive is the new industrial city of Changwon in the south coast heavy and chemical industrial belt near the Masan free export zone. Changwon is essentially a machine industry

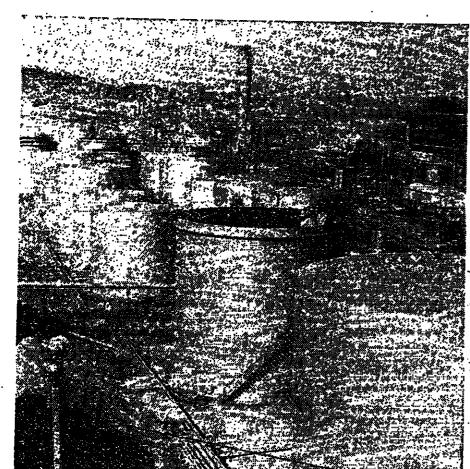
complex, a home for large-scale enterprises manufaction materials, primary components, high-grade precomachine tools and the like, and able to compete effect in international markets. Tools, dies and moulds, hydrodevices, gears and transmissions, bearings, bolts and metal-working machinery, engine blocks, propellor simarine equipment, textile and chemical machinery, mobile components—all these come within Changis scope. Needless to say, since its inception in 1974 Cl won has attracted numerous companies including for investment companies. It is adjacent to good ports highways and future plans include modern harbour fities of its own and ultimately a residential communication of the source of t

Contrasts, South and North

Nothing could be more marked at the end of than the contrast between the confident, busy, boc Republic of Korea and its communist neighbour to north, the neurotic looking-glass world of Kim Il ! For if 1976 had been a year of wonders for the Sou was certainly a year of disasters for the North. Econally the North was in dire straits, dependent on imp raw materials for many of its factories yet weighed by debt to foreign creditors and with barely enough to sustain its people. It is always difficult to get re information about the North, but experienced Pyons watchers considered that 80 per cent of factories de ing on imported raw materials and more than 50 per of those using domestic materials were not ope. during 1976. Shortage of food and other daily neces were as good as admitted by Kim II Sung himself : morose New Year message.

It was a bad year, too, in international affair the North. Attempts at Colombo to drum up support anti-Americanism failed, and if the nonaligned management of the nonaligned matter of the conference had any doubts about the nature of Kimilsungism, they were soon to awakened by the axe murders at Panmunjom of August. With all hope of success at the UN Ge Assembly gone, the North suffered fresh degradation its narcotic smuggling activities ranging as far after Scandinavia and Peru were exposed.

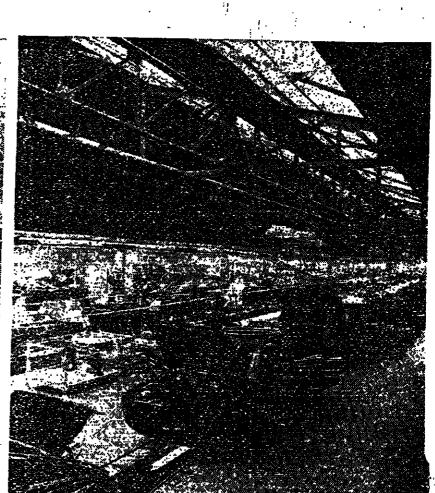
The South, with its customary and seen inexhaustible patience, once more urged the Nor come to the conference table so that the future t Korean peninsula might be determined by Korean President Park undertook to agree to the depart. American troops from the republic if only Kim II would sign a non-aggression pact. But Pyongvang ferred to remain rooted in its ancient prejudice Kim II Sung in his family power struggles and plaa grandiose palace which, it is said, is to be larger the Kremlin.





Left: The Ulsan oil refinery; Right: "Pony" car assembly line; Above: shipbuilding at Mipo Bay, Ulsan.

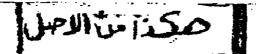
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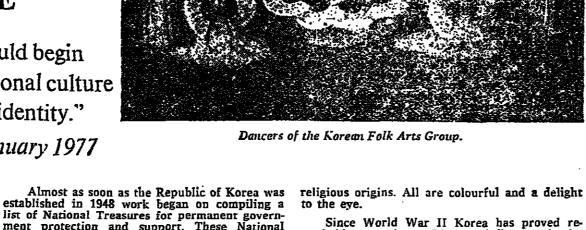
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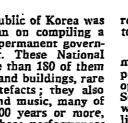
CHERISHING THE PAST WHILE BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

le promotion of culture should begin 1 the rediscovery of our national culture restoration of our cultural identity."

sident Park Chung Hee, January 1977

hile the rapid economic development of over the last 25 years has naturally had laim on world attention, there have also list of National Treasures for permanent governconsiderable achievements in other spheres nation's life, equally impressive in their ment protection and support. These National Treasures-there are now more than 180 of them vay. Not the least of these achievements -are not merely historic sites and buildings, rare found in the great cultural revival which works of art and precious artefacts; they also include folk dramas, dances and music, many of which can be traced back 1,000 years or more, untry is experiencing, and which has been ing momentum in more recent years. This and the artistes and groups whose performances keep them alive. Old crafts and traditional sports , a process of rediscovery and restoration, h more than an expression of national pride. reaffirmation and strengthening of national y and a source of inspiration for the future. are also cherished. The weave of cultural heritage





Uniquely Korean

What is more surprising is that in most cases the cultural heritage is uniquely Korean. One would expect the Korean peninsula, historically much-fought-over land bridge between the Asian mainland and Japan, to have been subject to powerful cultural influences from without and so to have developed strongly imitative art forms. But while it is true, for example, that early Korean painting was much influenced by Chinese painting, Korean artists soon moved away from the more formal aspects of Chinese painting, abandoning its disciplines for an altogether lighter and more uninhibited style of their own which in time became an unmistakably national style, most evident in paintings of animals and mist-shrouded mountains and reaching its apogee during the later Yi Dynasty (1392-1910). Today some Korean painters are content to base their work on that of famous Western painters. Others find their inspiration, and sometimes their styles, in Korea's past and this trend seems likely to increase. Plans collection of modern Korean paintings for exhibition in London.

Sculpture received its impetus from Buddhism, an imported religion, and was directly based on Chinese techniques. Metalwork was also closely associated with Buddhism, outstanding exceptions being the moulded bronze artefacts from tombs dating from the third century BC and the superb gold crowns and ornaments from royal tomb mounds of the Unified Silla Kingdom (668-935 AD). One of the most famous of these tombs, the Flying Horse Tomb in Kyungju has recently been refurbished as a display centre for replicas of objects found in the tomb, many of the originals being in the Kyungju National Museum

Korea is justly known for its ceramics, parti-cularly the exquisite celadon ware of the Koryo Dynasty (935-1392 AD) and the white porcelain of the Yi Dynasty, in which the natural artistry of Korean craftsmen found its highest expression. Ceramics, too, provide an example of outgoing influences. During the Japanese invasions of 1592-98, the Japanese not only made off with valuable books and priceless art treasures; they also took to Japan many Korean potters whose skills were used to establish a fine ceramics

The Performing Arts

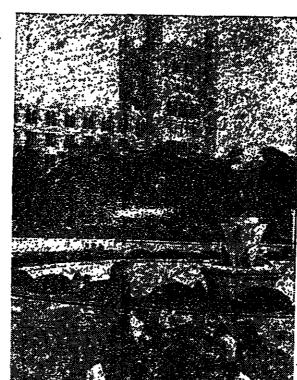
This coming August the Korean Folk Arts Troupe will be visiting London for a two-week season at the Sadler's Wells Theatre. This will be a rare opportunity to see some of the leading performers of Korea's National Classical Music Institute and National Dance Company. The music, performed on flutes, double reeds, drums and gongs, may hark back to the royal courts of more than 1,000 years ago or may be of a much livelier kind associated with village life. The repertoire includes the stately and stylized dances of the court and the simpler folk dances evocative of the countryside and agriculture. Some dances have

Since World War II Korea has proved remarkably receptive to Western influences in the performing arts and now has symphony orchestras, opera and ballet companies and drama groups. Some artists such as the gifted Chung family have won international reputations. Art, music, literature, drama—there are few spheres of culture which have not been penetrated to a greater or lesser extent by Western ideas and techniques, and the question now exercising Korean minds is the extent to which these foreign irruptions should be allowed free rein. Has not the time come to be far more selective in accepting cultural trends from abroad? Has not the country been unduly exposed to the harmful and spurious as well as the good and beneficial?

Such questions have particular relevance. Small countries with troubled histories like Korea need everything they can lay hands on to preserve and strengthen their sense of nationhood against powerful external pressures. A strong sense of national identity, rooted in an indigenous and thriving cluture, will enable a people to survive no end of storms and stresses.

In the case of Korea this much was realized then the First Five-Year Plan for Restoration of Literature and Arts was launched in 1974 with a budget of \$52 million. To implement the plan Cultural and Arts Promotion Council and an Arts Promotion Institute were set up and a nationwide campaign begun to assess what has to be done. The Folklore Museum, King Sejong Memorial Hall and the Korean Folk Village were all products of the plan, and much has also been done to promote creative activities and literary appreciation. There has been careful discriminative appraisal of Western influences throughout.

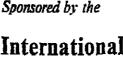
The campaign to preserve and extend traditional culture has recently received strong support from President Park. At his New Year Press Conference in January, 1977, he called for a "re-discovery" of Korea's national culture. He made the point, however, that this did not mean un-conditional rejection of all foreign cultural influences, a course which would leave Korea in unhealthy isolation. It is judicious selectivity he is after and many people, looking at what often passes for culture in the West nowadays, will sympathize with his aims.



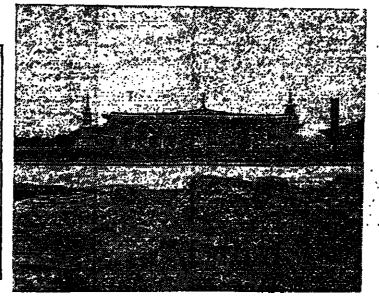
Students relaxing between classes at Korea University, Seoul.

: 17th-century white porcelain vase (Yi

: early 13th-century celadon ware (Koguryo



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National museum of Kyungju.

Charming writings little studied by western readers

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as it has survived, sometimes textual of flagging but never quite dying, under the increasingly heavy overlay of Chinese

taste and learning.
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The earliest writer to leave a considerable quantity of writing, Yi Kyubo (1168-1241), gained his first appointment to the Civil Service by writing a poem about a blossoming pomegramate in the garden of the military dictator's ostentatious town house. Yi Kyubo and his friends admired the poets of Sung China. The unaffected emotions of Su Tung-po's appealed to them.

by Richard Rutt

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After 1640 the Ching emperors received only grude. One of the longest and ing loyalty from Korea, but best is Kim Manjung's Kinthe Ching development of un-mong (nine cloud dream), critical scholarship was an elaborate tale with a textual questions, and everyone aimed at becoming a scientific polymath.

A dismissed tradition

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an elaborate rule with a Chinese setting.

Novel-writing never deve-loped in Korea as it did in China and Japan. The reason for this lay in Korea's social structures. There was no urban middle class, no bourgeoise to support the publishing of novels. The Confucian establishment e establishment esteemed poetry but despised fiction; the peasantry was largely illi-

For the same reason-lack of a middle class—the theatre failed to emerge in Korea. Medieval religious plays turned into crude social satires about the gentry and the monks. They continued to be performed in but religious ceremonies con-

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There's no space to invite The author has published the hills— widely on Korean culture they will have to stay and literature in both outside. English and Korean.

Tales of three novelists

by Chon Syng-boc

One cannot discuss the mainstream of Korean literature today without acquainting oneself with three novelists in their early sixties— Hwang Sun-won, An Sugil and Kim Tong-ni. Hwang Sun-won was born

in 1915 in Pyongyang and re-ceived higher education in Tokyo where he specialized in English linerature. He returned to Korea and was Folding the Umbrella and changes made by foreign kiving there at the time of hip come under scrutiny in the Japanese surrender to ship come under scrutiny in the Japanese surrender to the Allied Forces in 1945. Change of Voice and the portrays a sequence of the Allied Forces in 1945. Shadow of Voice and the portrays a sequence of the other people in arts and letters he remained dividual visa-vis society, in volt (a coup by the school of the ventually made his way south in 1946 and has lived in Seoul since.

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Kim Tong-ni (b1913-) was The novel, however, is drifted down financially, his born in Kyungju, the ancient; essentially a romance, not a family moving from house to capital of the Silla Kingpolitical study. An English house. Like his characters, dom (57BC-918). Son of a version of this novel was he suffered hardship for a devoted Christian family, he entitled The Cry of Cuckoo long time, and his lean face reminisces about many of and published by Pan Korea seamed with deep wrinkles his childhood memories Book Corporation in 1975. seems to illustrate his early which are related to a Another translation being deprivation. seems to illustrate his early which

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Hwang's major work, a novel entitled The Descendants of Coin, appeared in 1954 and was an instant success. The events take place in and around a small rilled in the morth but with a microscope in Chats with against Tsarist Russia, the strange enlightenment period in Korea, the Japanese and confucian emphasis on the little in Korea, the Japanese and confucian emphasis on the place in and around a small ruled in the momentum of against the Japanese colonial rulers. In between the events, the writer also describes curious customs of the

times. For all the hero's objective narratives, there is a pecu-liar pathos in his novels, a pathos of a nation which was

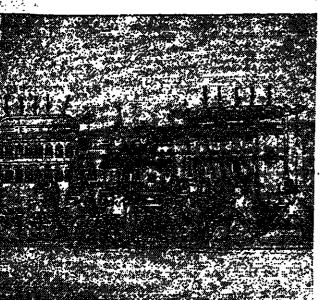
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author of The Martyred, for publication in the United States.

A year after it first appeared the novel won the Scenes in his novels take and writing for a newspaper. Is appeared the novel won the Scenes in his novels take affected his writings. His place either in Manchuria or success resulted in Hwang's place either in Manchuria or the north-eastern province of election to the Korean Academy of Arts.

Hwang's approach to his themes is often described by The Passage (1968) and The continued on next page.



ers of the National Classical Music Institute perform Korean music with different types of instruments.

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Art is missing link between China and Japan

by Michael Gore

Conservation faces

conflict

with industrialization

To the average western are lever, Korean art will no doubt prove to be a reveal time. For if the art of China and Ispan. There was consumed to the the control of the contr



"Tiger", attributed to Shin Sa-jong died unrecognized and in poverty.

Tragedy colours

study the achievements But dyed in pale bi, modern Korean poetry is sperience its tragic back. On the new experience its tragic back. On the shoulders ound, for the poetry has rown out of foreign domination and cataclysm. In 1910, the Japanese occupied the country and converted it into

a colonial governorship. The versity in Seoul. A humanist, he grieves of his poems at the ings of every Korean; many worship of mechaniz sent to prison or executed for "having dangerous ideas and ideals"; and for a while the use of the Korean language was prohibited.

The Allied victory in 1945 We are a shattered 1 did not bring the liberty That seek happiness and independence Koreans expected; instead Koreans were faced with the tragic I ask my heart to division of their small peninsula and consequently the I

Lee Kwang-su, the father of modern Korean literature, published in 1912 his first experimental verse in Blue Spring, an avant garde literary monthly. He disregarded what George Santavana called the genteel tradition of the past; instead he introduced a new declaratory and colloquial style of diction, using sprung rhythm in the manner of Gerald Manley

Healing This free verse

We endure good-nur The long painful de long Hopkins. This free verse movement advocated free love, personal freedom and other revolutionary ideas.

The most tragic marryr of And seek happines this movement, commonly By warming our he known as neo-realism, was Lee Yuk-sa (1905-1944), who was reading sociology and writing poetry at the Univer-sity of Peking in 1944 when he was tortured to death by
the Japanese military police.
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past religious prejudices. But a dictatorship might curb their this means there is a home for those who could not join the old opposition but are distrustful of "the system of concentrating power in a coterie, or even an individual", to use Mr Ram's words. While the opposition is not united, the Government is considerably weakened. Mrs Gandhi may win the election,

but Mr Ram has ensured that she will at the most do so as leader of an ordinary party, and not as the consensus of the nation, as she claims. In his special position he may calculate that his insubordination will not indefinitely exclude him or the Harijan voice from the government. It looks as if he does not think Mrs Gandhi's regime is very durable. The campaign should more

fully elicit why he has broken the loyalties of a political lifetime. He supported the original emergency and introduced the Bill. Perhaps the constitutional changes of last autumn were too much for him. The Harijans basically need democracy, elections and freedom of expression to promote their cause. They want land, social and technical support, above all social respect. They have won something, but further advance.

Given that Mr Ram could no longer stomach Mrs Gandhi's regime, is her complaint against him for resigning only when the emergency was relaxed a valid one? (It suggests she knew he was unhappy.) It probably is not, for had he resigned on principle before the election was arranged, Mrs Gandhi might never have given the electorate the opportunity to pronounce on her record. Such a resignation would have shaken the Government but might have driven it to extremer courses. She dissolved parliament because she was confident of a new mandate. Mr Ram lulled her into over-confidence, perhaps, but it was a legitimate deception if he wanted to make sure that it would not be a steamrollered election. If he accepted the initial need for an emergency, but became progressively disturbed by the course it was taking, his was the best course to restore to democracy a chance to reassert itself. He will not be easily forgiven by Mrs Gandhi, but he presumably thinks the risks to his community's interests are outweighed by the need to change India's course.

which widely diverges from what lenders and borrowers feel

to make. What the Bank has done is to say that, for some future period, it will announce the MLR unilaterally instead of fixing it automatically by reference to interest rates in the market for new Treasury bills, which are sold every Friday. That decision can be enforced in the limited sense that MLR, as the rate at which the Bank is prepared to act as lender of last resort to financial markets, is whatever the authorities say

is the right rate, without much

heavier sales of Treasury bills than the Bank have wished

But that in itself will do nothing to keep up the interest rate on the government stocks themselves, which will still be fixed by the interplay between buyers and sellers. Since the institutions which will be hit by being forced to pay high rates of interest when they borrow from the Bank are most strikingly the discount houses, who have been losing out in the past few weeks just because they have tended to respect the authorities' desire for keeping interest rates up, it is hard to high level can have more than presentational importance.

The real reason interest rates have been falling is that the demand for Treasury stock has in the market.

been very intense. Much of this money has come, oddly enough, from the Bank of England, itself, which has been injecting hundreds of millions of new pounds in exchange for foreign currency in order to stop the pound's parity rising. Other money comes from companies and banks within the United Kingdom who can get a better return from government securities at the present rate of interest than they can from industrial investment. Allowing interest rates to fall would be a perfectly natural way of bringing demand back into balance with

The problem the authorities face is that they cannot, in the real world, hope independently to determine interest rates, money supply, the exchange rate and the budget deficit all at the same time. Any three determine the fourth. Creating a fantasy system in which MLR is kept high while the interest rates in the market continue to fall will achieve nothing. It merely keeps the appearance of interest rate stability at the price of sacrificing the relevance of the MLR concept. It remains to be seen whether the authorities will nominal MLR into line with present market realities or to validate the stated MLR by vigorously selling Treasury bills

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in particular, prison officers behaved in a way disgraceful to their profession even if it was not an offence against the criminal law. That is now in the hands of a Home Office inquiry under Mr G. W. Fowler, the Chief Inspector of Prisons. But this is not being conducted in public, nor is there any assurance that its report will be made

That is not good enough. No matter how well such an inquiry is conducted, it will appear in these circumstances to be a whitewashing exercise. There can be no public confidence that an internal Home Office inquiry will look sufficiently stringently at the conduct of the prison officers. Whatever failings were revealed would after all be failings in a service for which the Home Office is responsible. Equally important, there will be no opportunity for the prison officers to present their full case for public scrutiny. The statement issued on Wednesday night by the prison and borstal governors' branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants implied that there may have

been special factors at Hull. That is precisely the kind of question that must be examined by such an inquiry. But what would be the use of exonerating the prison officers if that is done in secret? Or would anyone be satisfied with a report that excused them on the ground of exceptional circumstances, without the full details being made public?

The only proper course is for the Government to set up an independent public inquiry. That is the only way for the strength of the allegations to be tested to general satisfaction. Otherwise a slur will be left on the prison service and the public will be left with the impression that responsible ministers have succumbed to the pressures of administrative convenience instead of taking all possible steps to ensure that Britain's prisons are civilized. If the allegations are true drastic steps are required: if they are not true, or if there were extenuating circumstances, then that needs to be demonstrated for all to

atomic waste. What matters is that blacks have already done so) and Britain could well find herself in big amounts of radioactive material were distributed over an area of the humiliating and embarrassing some hundreds of square kilometres and raised the radiation level in this area to an unadmissibly high position of supporting the "front line" Presidents (a euphemism for those who harbour terrorists), two
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people of Rhodesia and the (prelevel. The whole population of the area had to be evacuated, agriculture, fishing and hunting were forbidden and the area was subsequently rendered useless for many years. I myself visited this area in 1961 and described my eyewitness evidence. This evidence "has been confirmed from other reliable sources which state that by February 1958 everyone in the Sverdlovsk region was aware of the 'atomic disaster'. It was impossible for the

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Sincerely. The Weizmann Institute of Science,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Bullock Report: including the management

From Sir Derek Ezra

Sir, In the current debate on industrial democracy the British Institute of Management is committed to two main objectives: the encouragement of more "open" and participative styles of management; and the development of real participation by development of real participation by all employees in the day-to-day and policy issues which affect their working lives. We therefore welcome the opportunity to contribute to these discussions, even though we do not accept the imposition by law of the single model concept of the majority point of view in the Rulleck Percent.

Two major issues call for close and serious consideration at the earliest opportunity. First, the need earliest opportunity. First, the need for flexibility. We believe that the development of employee participation can best be achieved by negotiation, or consultation, between employers and employees that will lead to agreement on the model of participation—covering all employees—that is best suited to the inclusive of the individual. circumstances of the individual

enterprises. Recent experience in industrial relations has illustrated the importance of social legislation keeping pace with public opinion. Although public opinion may favour the con-cept of wider employee participa-tion, it is clear that there is no consensus for a single model of participation. The essential thing is that the system adopted by the individual enterprise should take account of the circumstances of that

enterprise.

If legislation is required, it should only be of an enabling nature to stimulate the conclusion of participation agreements negotiated with employees within certain time limits and with agreed safeguards and nor legislation which imposes a pre-determined board structure. The second issue which is caus-

ing considerable anxiety and concern among managers is the everem recommended by the Bullock majority report to appoint representatives of employees to boards. The flexible approach which BIM recommends would permit a system of appointment or election to tem of appointment or election to be applied which meets the require-ments of individual companies and the needs of their employees. There are groups who are not unionized, particularly within management. BIM is emphatic that some pro-vision must be made to ensure that the interest of these groups is fully considered and safeguarded.

The merale of managers, especially in the middle ranks, is already low. They have suffered a relatively greater decline in living standards than other employees, but are being called upon to do most of the work involved in implementation of the objectives of the industrial strategy. We will not keep alive their enthusiasm for economic recovery if their fears are ignored and if they continue to

feel that they are heine by passed in the formulation of policy.

We are glad that the Government intends to listen in "a positive and constructive atmosphere" to all points of view with the object of seeking "a lasting service." consultation in that spirit. BIM is in support of the concept of employee participation; but the system must be effective, it must be flexible and it must fully involve and stimulate all employees, including managers at all levels, if it is to make a lasting contribution to our industrial well-being. Yours faithfully,

DEREK EZRA, Chairman of the Council, British Institute of Management, Management House, Parker Street, WC2. February 2.

From Sir Thomas Padmore

Sir, We are told that many people think that it would be a good thing to take the "easy" course of trying out the Bullock proposals in the public sector first. I submit ther it is in fact much the most difficult course.

One asks oneself what the propo-

sition can really be. I take the example of the Pret Office. The Act of 1969 which set up the present Post Office lays on its Board specific duties and responsihilities, briefly to "meet the social, industrial and commercial needs" of the country in the relevant directions by the provision, with due regard to efficiency and economy, of such postal and telephone services "as satisfy all reasonable demands for them".

It is to be supposed that these statutory duties rest not only on the Board collectively, but on each individual member of it. If the Post Office à la Bullock is also to have statutory duties expressed in similar (or indeed any other) terms, and if these duties apply to all Board members, then the worker directors will be in exactly the same position as the rest and it will be wholly impossible for if well argued and well supported

them to act as representatives of the workers (as distinct from as their nominees).

If on this account they are to be exempted from the duties and responsibilities laid on the rest (and perhaps even given different duties) it does not augur well for the unity and effectiveness of the new Board. And is it not going to hew board. And is it not going to be difficult and embarrassing to express in acceptable statutory lan-guage the crude fact that in that case the job of the worker direc-tors will be to secure as far as they can that the postal and telemey can may me postal and resephone monopoles are exploited not in the best interests of its owners and customers (you, Sir, and me) but for the benefit of the people who work in it?

Yours faithfully, T. PADMORE. 39 Cholmeley Crescent, Highgare, No.

From Lord Taylor of Harlow Sir, Worker representation on boards of management of industry makes good sense. Trade union representation on such boards is a great nonsense. The job of a trade union is to serve and if necessary fight for the interests of its members. The job of a board of management is to achieve efficiency in production, to meet the needs of society as a whole. Quite properly, these two jobs must often be in conflict. The position of a trade union representative on a board is bound to be schizophrenic. He must Sir, Worker representation on bound to be schizophrenic. He must sacrifice either the interests of his

members or those of his firm viewed as a public service. In the health services, effectively by far the most important union is the BMA. Yet no one suggests that doctors on management committees should be nominated or appointed by the BMA, or even that they should be BMA members. In fact, something like a third of the medical profession does not belong to the BMA. If the BMA, not to mention the other health service unions, took over a management function, I fear the health services might be even more chaotic than they are. To be fair, the BMA has never suggested this.

Yours, etc, TAYLOR of HARLOW, House of Lords. February 2.

From Mr R. S. Johnson Sir, It is, I suggest, quite wrong to suppose that company directors are concerned only with their share-

To do his job properly, a director To do his job properly, a director has to take care of the interests of three groups of people. First, the customers; for if they are not satisfied with the quality and price of the product they will go elsewhere and the company will fail. Secondly, the workers; for if they are discontented with the treatment they receive there will be industrial trouble. Thirdly the thereholders. trouble. Thirdly, the shareholders; for they subscribed the capital at the outset, and if they do not receive a fair return, they will be unlikely to subscribe more wh

the company needs to develop.

All three groups are interdependent, and if the company is to prosper the directors must do their best to hold a fair balance between them. Trade union officials, on the other hand, exist solely to protect the interests of their members and their training and education are directed to that end.

I find it hard to see how the chances of achieving the fair balance necessary for the success of the enterprise could be improved by the adoption of the Bullock Committee's majority recommenda

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, R. 5 JOHNSON. Medbourne Manor. Market Harborough Leicestershire.

From Mr G. W. Pitman Sir, I write as a younger (38 years) industrial manager who has, for-tunately, close links with the trade unions and with the participative style of management. My director's experience covers eight years as an executive director of industrial companies (engineering, textiles and dis-tribution companies) and six years non-executive directorships includ-

ing a life insurance society. Mr David Basnett of the GMWU writes radically and with feeling in today's The Times (February 2), of his union's superior alternatives to the Bullock Committee proposals that industrial democracy should grow outside the board room by greater participation by employees in decision taking. Surely this is near the heart of the matter—both unions like the GMWU and management want greater participation before decisions come to the board room, often for "rubber stamping",

with figures.

There has been a total misunder-

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standing by the Bullock Committee and by many of the more politically motivated commentators about this elusive prize of "worker directors". I believe that this is because of the complexity of the issues, and the difficulties of those who have not served as directors in really understanding the processes of decision-taking. For the unsympathetic and unbriefed, a "worker director" seems a nice, simple, objective stan-dard of the success of industrial

democracy.

It is much much more important, as Mr David Basnett implies, for all levels of employees, not forgetting foremen and middle management, to be deeply involved in the planning and consideration of options leading up to a Board decision.
Yours faithfully,

G. W. PITMAN, Chairman, Book Centre Limited, North Circular Road, Neasden, NW10. February 2.

From Mr V. Cavendish-Bentinck Sir, Having been on the supervisory beards of various German com-panies for over 21 years as member, panies for over 21 years as member, deputy chairman and chairman, including being one of the two deputy chairmen of one of the big three chemical companies, I found that the system historic in force under which the employees and trade unions were represented worked satisfactorily, but it did so as the result of the German labour laws, the trade union structure for which Ernest Bevin was responsible, and the reasonable attitude of the and the reasonable attitude of the trade union and employee representatives, who did not bring in politics and as a rule only spoke when the welfare of the employees and of the company itself was

On the other hand, the Bullock proposals appear to me to have been drafted mainly with the object of increasing the power of the pnions.

some years ago, when I tried to explain to one of our most prominent trade union leaders that the German system for worker representation made for good feeling and the prevention of disputes, I was dismayed to be told: "If it does not give power, I am not interested." Yours faithfully,

V. CAVENDISH-BENTINCK, 21 Carlyle Square, SW3. February 2.

From Mr O. W. Kingdon Sir, The majority proposals in the

Bullock Report are being rigorously debated in your columns and elsewhere, but the arguments are necessarily based on theory and hypothesis.

Would it not be helpful if the Government, which appears to be broadly sympathetic to the ideas, were to put them to a practical test by introducing them into those public enterprises where it has full control and the power to appoint boards of directors?

If, as a result of the application of the 2x + y concept to British Airways, the Post Office, British Leyland, Rolls-Royce, the National Coal Board, Cable and Wireless, to name but a few, the performance of these enterprises was demonof these enterprises was demon-strably improved, then those of us in private industry who are now sceptical would be bound to be persuaded to modify our views. The dangers which might follow the introduction of an untried scheme could in this way be

avoided. Yours faithfully, O. W. KINGDON,

6 Woodland Drive, Mapperley Park,

From the Reverend Nick Earle Sir. Democracy-as the word is CHITCHLY understood—implies the power to elect an alternative government. If this notion is to be extended to industry, ought is not therefore to include the right to belong to an alternative union? I am, Sir, Yours faithfully, NICK EARLE,

Headmaster's House, Bromsgrove School, Worcestershire.

From Mr Eric Emmet Sir, What makes the Chairman of the Stock Exchange (letter, February 2) think that he is a moderate? Yours faithfully, ERIC EMMET,

Domum House Domum Road, Winchester, Hampshire. February 2.

Planning in Bath

From the President of Bath Chamber of Commerce Sir, Your arricle on January 29 regarding the planning application to Bath City Council by Horstmann Gear Co refers to evidence of collu-sion involving Bath Chamber of Commerce. In view of the serious inference of improper behaviour by the Chamber, I wish to place clearly on the record the facts of the matter in so far as they involve

the Chamber.
The Bath Chamber of Commerce represents a wide range of business interests in the City; retailers, hoteliers, professional firms, service industries and industrialists. The Chamber's Executive Committee meets monthly and all meetings including that of October 20 to which you referred are attended by the local press. Industrial firms, by the very nature of Bath, form a small, though in terms of employ-ment significant, proportion of our membership. These members have met occasionally to discuss matters of common interest but not every month, so their reports have not

been a regular item on our agenda. On October 20 a spokesman for our industrial members raised under any other business the difficulties facing firms wishing to expand in Bath. He referred to the Horstmann Gear Co, who having obtained an Industrial Development Certificate required extra capacity in order to

increase exports and improve efficiency. Mr Roger Horstmann, a member of the Executive, then declared his interest and at the invitation of the meeting outlined his firm's proposals to extend New-bridge Works which were to be considered by Bath Planning Committee the following day.

The Chamber's policy on industrial development is perfectly clear.

We are in favour of it, in order to provide a proper balance of employment in the City. Bath is of course sensitive to any new development and our support for industry is qualified by the need to safeguard local amenities in particular and the character of the City in general. Since the Chamber could not consider the detail of the Horstmann proposals in the time available, and this in any event is the province of the Planning Committee, the Secretary was instructed to write immediately and deliver by hand the following day a letter to Bath City Council reaffirming the Chamber's policy that "there should be a presumption in favour of industrial development subject to the amenities of the area being

safeguarded". The note to which you referred in your article was irrelevant; it was left at the Chamber's office the following morning in the Secretary's absence after the Chamber's letter had been delivered to the Guildhall. There is no secret about

it. The copy you hold was given by the Chamber's Secretary direct to the solicitor representing the local objectors.

Subsequently our letter of qualified general support to the Horstmann application, which we would have written in support of any industrialist in a similar position in line with our known policy, was interpreted as giving specific and considered support to that particular application. To avoid any misunderstanding we therefore sub-stituted the full minutes of the Executive Committee meeting in place of the letter which had previously been sent

I emphasize that neither I, the Vice-President, nor Secretary have been in touch with any City Councillor to discuss the planning application either at the time of the Executive meeting on October 20 or since. Neither were we given an opportunity to comment on the implications in your report before it appeared. I trust that the matter can now be seen in its true perspec-tive and the implications which could be taken from your report be withdrawn forthwith.

Yours faithfully. A. M. C. CAMPBELL, President, Bath Chamber of Commerce, 7 Alfred Street,

The preservation of Mentmore

From Mr John Harris Sir, The issues raised by the pro-Str. The issues raised by the proposed break-up of Mentmore are of grave consequence. If Mr Peter Shore's advisers were unanimous in recommending the acceptance of the house and its contents, then his decision was entirely political (unless he personally disliked Mentmore) on the grounds of repair and maintainance costs. We will surely maintainance costs. We will surely hear no more from those who recom-mended in 1974 nationalization as

the panacea for country house ills. Must we now assume that if the issue concerned Holkham or Kedleston, the answer would be the same for the same reasons? With either house the costs of repair and main-tedance would not only be greater, but as at Mentmore, there would be no margin to unobtrusively milk the collection of lesser works of art to pay for initial repairs. Indeed, all the omens were favourable that in the country house stakes Mentmore

the country house stakes Mentmore would have been an odds-on bet. We are about to witness a smashup that can only be likened in this century to Cassiobury in 1922 and The Deepdene in 1917. There are obviously many, like my good friend Jeffry Daniels (letters, February 2), who do not like le gout Meyer de Rothschild, but Mentmore must be fought for beguse it is one of the fought for because it is one of the half a dozen surviving unities of half a dozen surviving unities of house and collection that merit preservation in any circumstances.

May I 'also add that like the Grange in extremis Mentmore is also regarded by the DOE as a Grade II house. I shall let the Victorian Society take up that cause.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN HARRIS, 16 Limerston Street, SW10. February 2.

Change at the Treasury

From Sir Samuel Goldman
Sir, In his fascinating article today
(January 31) on proposed change
at the top of Whitehall Mr Hennessy refers to New Trends in Govern-ment, the first in the Civil Service Studies by my old friend and col-league, the late Sir Richard ("Otto") Clarke in which the latter presented the case for hiving off the Public Sector Group of the Treasury and combining it with the manpower divisions of the Civil Service Department (and also the Central Policy Review Staff, the "think tank") in a new Central Management Department.

Mr Hennessy may care to look at the second of these studies entitled Public Expenditure Management and Control published in 1973 in which I, also a former head of the Treasury Public Sector Group, put forward an opposite view, principally on the grounds that public expenditure as an instrument of policy was inextricably linked with the other policy instruments available to a chancellor and that to fillet it out and remove it from his control would make for rigidity, division and dissension and a worse not a better process of decision making. In the course of a detailed from recent experience to illustrate the argument that there was an increasing tendency for the different aspects of economic policy to be mixed up so that in many instances public spending, taxation and money and credit control become usable as alternatives. These examples ranged from the choice between investment grants and investment allowances, between social security payments and tax allowances, between govern-ment loans and fiscal and monetary devices to encourage private capital investment, eg in shipbuilding and export finance, to similar choices in housing and agricultural policy and in coping with the master problem of inflation itself.

Events in the past five years since my pamphlet was written have led me in no way to change my view that hiving off the Public Sector that hiving off the Public Sector Group of the Treasury to another department would be a damaging and retrograde step. I am surprised Mr Hennessy should think that the recent operations which preceded the granting of our IMF loan support his case rather than mine. The final mix of public expenditure cuts, tax increases, and monetary and tredit taxestry illustrates to perfect credit targetry illustrates to perfection the central point that these are matters which must fall under one minister's jurisdiction, subject always of course to the final and collective responsibility of the Cabinet. Yours faithfully,

S. GOLDMAN, One Noble Street, EC2. January 31.

The Landseer lions From Mr W. W. Williams

Sir, Those who heard children on Radio 4 this morning (January 31) singing "Happy birthday to you" in honour of the 110th anniversary of Sir Edwin Landseer's lions may be interested to know that the blitz was by no means the first potential misfortune that their price survived. I have it on good authority that in 1887, soon after a period of tur-bulent scenes of industrial unrest in London, my grandfather Sir Charles Warren, then Chief Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, caused the following police notice couched in lyric prose to be posted as a warning to vandals:
"The Commissioner has observed

there are signs of wear on the Landseer lions in Trafalgar Square. Unauthorised persons are not to climb on the Landseer lions at any time."

Yours faithfully, WATKIN W. WILLIAMS, 20 Crows Road Epping,

190 Fleet Street, EC4.

Why April 5? From Mr John Avery Jones Sir, Mr Peskett's explanation (January 28) does not add up. Since March 25 was the old New Year's Day, April 5 ought to be the first day of the Tax Year, whereas in fact the first day is April 6. What we now need is an explanation of what happened to the extra day. Yours faithfully, J. F. AVERY JONES

the majority—yes, the ty-will not be accepthard to conceive of a enuous position on the purportedly responsible tard's argument, that re was an "interim the true wishes of the uld not be ascertained, specious—the Britishearce Commission was

that it had under the hodesian Government. gauged the feelings of ritish Government does care the black majority ces shoulder to shoulder white majority (many

Soviet nuclear disaster From Professor L. Tumerman

dominantly British) whites. Yours faithfully,

A. J. A. PECK,

Avondale, Salisbury, Rhodesia.

Ridge Park, 36 Cambridge Road,

January 24.

Sir, This is in reply to your article entitled "Soviet Nuclear Disaster Discounted" (November 8, 1976) in which Sir John Hill, chairman of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority; dismissed (called it "rubbish" and "pure science fiction") Zh Medvedev's disclosure of a big atomic catastrophe in the Sovier Union in 1958.

Eyewitness accounts at the event (The Times, December 8, 1976) leave no doubts that Medvedev's information was indeed true. It is of secondary importance for the general public whether the disaster was caused by a genuine atomic explosion in a plutonium preparing plant or by an "ordinary" explo-sion in a "cemetery" of buried

population not to know about it" (New Scientist, December 23, 30,

One can easily understand, or at least guess, why the publication of information bearing on an atomic disaster connected with buried atomic waste has made Sir John lose his temper and rush to make denials of it. Well, errare humanian est, and Sir John can be wrong like anyone else. But a man in Sir John's professional resinance change the professional resinance change the same professional resinance change the professional resinance change t fessional position should take more care in his choice of words. Such restraint would have prevented him from being in the embarrassing position in which he must now find himself.

L. TUMERMAN. Rehovot,



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Mr P. R. H. Harnett and Miss P. A. M. Turner

Ernest Turner, of Pursglove Lodge, Tideswell, Derbyshire,

Lodge, Tideswell, Derbyshire, formerly of Eyam, and the late

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, eldest son of

between Jonathan, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. A. H. Lloyd, of Acre Batch, All Stretton, Shrop-

Mr J. S. Lloyd and Miss M. E. Dickens

Mr M. Paterson and Miss S. Henson

Marriages

The Marquess of Douro and Miss A. von Preussen

pronounced the blessing, assisted by the Rev Donald Harris. Prince Louis Ferdinand of Prussia, uncle of the bride, was among those who attended.

The bride, who was given

marriage by her stepiather. Major Patrick Ness, was attended by Viscount Elveden. Rory Nugent. Henry Channon. Phillipa Lennox-Boyd. Lady Celina Cavendish. and Lucy Clyde. Lord Irwin was best

A reception was held at Apsley House, Piccadilly.

Or T. D. Brentnall and Mrs A. P. Bartlett

D'Oyly Carte gala

The Duke and Duchess of

Gloucester will be present at a

to be held on Sunday, February

13. 1977, at 7.15 pm at the Savoy

Rotel, London, Tickets, which

include supper, are available at 525 double and 515 single, from

D'Oyly Carte Tickets, 180 Bromp-

ton Road, London, SW3 1HF. Tel:

581 1975, extension 27.

Marshal of the RAF

Sir Andrew Humphrey

A service of thanksgiving for the life, work and inspiration of Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Andrew Humphrey will be held in Westminster Abbev at noon on Friday. March 18, 1977. Those

Friday. March 18, 1977. Those wishing to attend are asked to apply for tickets. In writing, to the Ministry of Defence, S4c(Air), Room 0.6, Metropole Building, Northumberland Avenue, London WC2N 5BL, not later than Wednesday, February 16, 1977, so that seats may be reserved. A stamped self-addressed envelope should be enclosed. Applications should not

enclosed. Applications should not be sent to Westminster Abbey.

The crew of an RAF helicopter

that lifted a howitzer off a trapped soldier in Belize have been awarded a commendation for gallantry by Air Chief Marshal Sir Nigel Maynard, Commander-in-Chief, Strike Command. They are Flight Lieutenant Malcolm Marlaine and Secretary Devid

Maclaine and Sergeam David Bellis.

RAF rescue awards

evening

Mrs Turner.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 3: Sir Patrick Nairoe (Pennapent Secretary Department of Realth and Social Security) had the honour of being received by The Queen this marning.

Sir Seymour Egerton had the Sir Seymour Egerton had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon his retirement as Chairman of Courts & Co., when The Queen invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order. The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Marchioness of Abergarenny, Lieutenaut-Colonel the Right Hon Sir Martin Charteris and Mr Wil-Sir Martin Charteris and Mr William Heseltine, were entertained at dinner this evening by His

at dinner this evening by His Excellency the High Commissioner for Australia and Lady Bunting at 45 Hyde Park Gate.

Her Majesty invested Sir John Bunting with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Expire.

The Duke of Edirburgh this afternoon attended a Conference organized by the Director of Army organized by the Director of Army Training at the Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehail. His Royal Highress was received by the Adjutant General (General Sir Jack Harman).

Major Charles Fenwick was in

The Prince of Wales this morn-The Prince of Wales this morning travelled in an aircraft of The Oueen's Flight to visit the Aston Martin 'Lagonda Factory at Newport Paggell, Buckinghamshire.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips and Captain Mark Phillips were present this evening at the New Zealand Society Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner at the Royal Lancaster Hotel. London-Miss Rowera Brassey and Major Nicholas Lawson were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE February 3: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon, President of the Girl Guides Association, this morning attended a Meeting of the Executive Commit-tee at Headquarters. Buckingham Palace Road. alace Road. The Lady Juliet Townsend was

February 3: The Duke of Kent today presented the Tarmac British Racing Championship Award at the

Licutenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.
The Duchess of Kent, Patron of
the Arthritis and Rheumatism
Council, this morning opened the
new Bone and Joint Research Unit
at the London Hospital.
Mrs Alan Henderson was in
attendance. The marriage took place on February 3, in Oakham, between Dr Timothy David Brenmall, son of the late Dr and Mrs Boyre Brentuall, and Mrs Angela Patricia Bartlett, only daughter of Major and Mrs W. F. Adams.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh are to visit the Ottawa area of Canada as part of the silver jubilee celebrations, from October 14 to 19.

A memorial requiem (low Mass) | Gloucester will be present at a for Sir Anthony Berir will take place at St Mary's, Bourne Street, SW1, on Monday, February 7, at and the D'Oyly Carte Opera Trust,

Birthdays today

The Hon Sir Clive Bossom, 59; Dr Ludwig Erhard, 30; Lord Shaw-cross, QC. 75; Dr Hugh Sinclair, 67; Sir Graham Sutton. 74; Sir Vincent Tewson, 79; Dr P. E. Thompson Hancock, 73; Dame Mabel Tylecote, 81.

25 years ago

From The Times of Monday, Feb 4, 1952

Neutrality myth

From Our Own Currespondent Vienna, Feb 3.—The theory put forward by Austrian Communists that Austria could have its state treaty if it no longer orientated itself towards the west but pro-claimed its neutrality was declared a myth by Dr Gruber, the Foreign Minister, in a broadcast on Satur-day. Dr Gruber said it was the policy of the Cominform to estab-lish Communications whereast policy of the Cominform to estab-lish Communism wherever this was possible without too great a risk. This was clear from what had bappened in Czechoslovakia where the government was overthrown because it was only 90 per cent and not 100 per cent pro-Commun-ist. Would a policy of concessions and the establishment in Austria of a government friendly to the Soviet Union lead to Soviet troops going home? Certainly not. Berchtesgaden had shown what happened to a government which failed to protect itself against an aggressive minority.

Luncheon

City of Westminster Chamber of Commerce The City of Westminster Chamber of Commerce beld a luncheon meeting at the Savoy Hotel yester-day. Mr Alan Grant was in the chair...and _the _guest of -honour was Sir Reay Geddes.

Reception

To Mr W. Frankel Mr David Kessler, chairman of the board of directors of the fewish Chronicle, gave a reception at Stationers' Hall yesterday to mark the retirement of the editor, Mr William Frankel. Among those William Franker. Among mose present were:

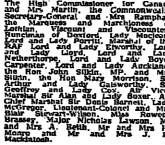
Mr Ellis Birk and Lady Birk, Professor Sir Misha Birk, Sir Erais and Lady and Lady Berlin, Sir Ernst and Lady Chain, Sir Alsa and Lady Cottrell, Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, MP, and Mrs Davis, Mr Hugh Dykes, MP, Lord and Lady Fisher of Candon, Sir Monty and Lady Finniscon, Mr Rog Froeson,

Dinner New Zealand Society Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, and Captain Mark Phillips, were guests of honour at the fiftieth anniversary dinner of the New Zealand Society held at the Royal Lancaster Hotel last night com-memorating the signing of the

According to Sir Kenneth homo-sexual love between two males of Plato, as well as by Xenophon



tost of New Zealam was pro-posed by Princess Anne, and the High Commissioner for New Zea-land replied. Colonel J. I. M. Smail, president, was in the chair and proposed the toast of the guests to which the Lord Cham-berlain responded. Among the guests were:



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The Marquess of Douro, eldest son of the Duke and Duchess of Wellington, and Miss Antonia von Preussen, daughter of the late Prince Frederick of Prussia and of Lady Brigid Ness, after their marriage at and Miss A. von Preussen
Queen Elizabeth the Queen
Mother, the Prince of Wales.
Princess Margaret, Countess of
Snowdon, and the Duke and
Duchess of Kent were present at
the marriage which took place at
St Paul's. Knightsbridge, vesterday, between the Marquess of
Douro, eldest son of the Duke and
Duchess of Wellington, and Miss
Antonia von Preussen, daughter of
the late Prince Frederick of Prussia and of Lady Brigid Ness. The
Bishop of Wakefield officiated and
pronounced the blessing, assisted St Paul's, Knightsbridge, London, yesterday.

'No decision' on new towns

The Department of the Environment said yesterday that no decision had yet been taken about the future development of any new

Commenting on a report in The Times, which suggested that the Government might be preparing to divert funds to inner cities at the expense of such places as Milton Keynes, Telford and Warrington, the department pointed out that Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, had

State for the Environment, had already stated that he was undertaking a reappraisal of the newtown programme.

He had made clear that no final decision would be taken without proper consultation. That consultation would naturally focus on five towns: Milton Keynes, Northampton, Peterborough, Telford and Warrington. His decision on Central Lancashire would be based on the findings of the public inquiry held in 1974, and therefore the question of further consultation did not arise.

Sir Christopher Higgins, chairman of the New Town's Associa-

man of the New Town's Associa-tion, sald yesterday that the head-line on the report in *The Times*.

"Plan to halt new towns' expan-

Important new theories about the nature of homosexuality in ancient

eviously Professor of Creek a

St Andrews for more than 20 years, is publishing a book on

the subject later this year.
Discussion tends to start with
Plato, but Sir Kenneth argued last

night that Plato is not a witness of primary importance. When Plato speaks of falling in love and being in love he usually refers to the emotion felt by an older male towards a younger one. Sir Kenneth said that was not peculiar

Kenneth said that was not peculiar

to Plato. For at least five genera-tions before him the Greeks had grown accustomed to thinking it natural that a male should be

sexually aroused by the sight of beautiful females and handsome

younger males alike.

The senior partner in a Greek homosexual love affair could count on sympathy if he falled to get what he wanted, and on envy if he succeeded. The juntor

was expected to resist, reproached if he was known to have yielded.

ridiculed as a pervert if he seemed to reciprocate the emotion and desire of the senior, and penalized

by permanent loss of civic rights if he prostituted himself According to Sir Kenneth homo-

By Philip Howard

love in ancient Greece

Greece were expounded last night by Sir Kenneth Dover in a lecture at Newcastle University.

Sir Kenneth, President of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and Orreviously Professor of Creek and arimal be.

haviour

sion", gave a misleading impres-sion. There was no such plan. Since Mr Shore's announcement last September that he was reviewing the policy of planned dispersal from big cities, it had become clear that the new-town programme could not be judged as a whole. Each town had to be considered separately, and in its regional context.

considered separately and in its regional context.

Among new-town development corporation officials the general reaction was that the four "options" said to have been set out by Mr Shore in a recent confidential memorandum added nothing new. The choices ranging from ending all further development beyond existing contracts to continuing with the full programme, were always there and open to the Government at any time. time. As for spending cuts, it was obvious that the new towns would have to bear their share like everywhere else.

The odds are still heavily against the Government's taking any drastic action. The costs of any drastic action. The costs of compensation might be enormous, particularly to industrialists, who have been assured of a rapidly expanding local labour force, and to developers of shopping centres and their tenants, whose plans have been based on a guaranteed future market. Moreover, mil-

the same age group is barely attested in the Greek world.

He integrated evidence of vase-

His work also attacks the theory

of the Dorian origin of Greek homosexuality. Plato in the Lars advanced the view that male homo-

sexuality was especially character-istic of certain Dorian states, notably Sparta and certain Cretan

cities, and that it spread thence over the Greek world,

port his view, which is widely held by Greek scholars. There are some early homosexual graffit on the Dorian island of Thera. It is assumed that a ritualized homosexual rape described in the fourth control. PC

fourth century BC as a Cretan custom was of great antiquity. It

custom was of great antiquity. It is supposed that military organization of the Spartan or Cretan type necessarily encourages homosexuality. And the prima facte meaning of some jokes in Old Comedy supports Plato's account of the origins of homosexuality. However, Sir Kenneth argues that all that evidence is open to other interpretations. Moreover, the view that homosexuality was

the view that homosexuality was especially Dorian in Plato's time

Sir Harold Wilson, MP. was represented by Lady Wilson at a memorial service for the Rev Dr Nathaniel Micklem. CH, held

at Regent's Square United Re-formed Church. Tavistock Place, yesterday. The Rev Dr J. Huxtable officiated and gave an address,

Memorial service

The Rev Dr N. Micklem

Certain evidence is taken to sup-

The same price was paid resti-mate 5500 to £1,000) for a Yoshi-misu from-and-lacquer group of a girl with a may on her head and a boy with a mother-of-pearl hen under his arm. lions of pounds have been in-vested in such projects by pension funds and insurance companies. To stop the development of a new town such as Milton Keynes-

would, moreover, represent a complete waste of money spent on land acquisition and the pro-vision of roads, schools, hospicals and community facilities. The winding up of a development corporation would almost certainly require a special Act of Parliament and would involve a long and complicated process in disposing of its assets.

The most convincing arguments against new towns are that they absorb valuable aspicultural land and that they tend to attract jobs and skilled workers out of the older cities. But in economic thems they are widely considered. terms they are widely considered to represent an excellent invest-

Lord Northfield, chairman of Telford New Town Corporation, appealed last night for an early end to "the agony of indecision". So far as Telford was concerned, its plans and purpose had been exhaustively reviewed only 15 months ago and, in any case it was surely fulfilling exactly what Mr Shore was seeking: the reclamation and revitalization of a derelict industrial area.

New theories on homosexual 'Too little spent on

a penny on arthritis research for a penny on arrarius research for every £1 the diseases cost the country each year. Dr Michael Mason, chairman of the executive committee of the Arthritis and Rhaumanium Comprils and restant

opening by the Duchess of Kent of the council's £500,000 Bone and Joint Research Unit at the London Hospital. The unit is working on improved replacement elbow, shoulder and hip joints for arthritic patients.

Latest wills

Mrs Agnes Elizabeth Delamore, of Pumey, left 569,510 net. After a bequest of 52,000 she left the residue to the RSPCA. Other estates include (net before

Today's engagements The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron

The Duke of Edinburgh, as patron and trustee, attends reception for young people who have reached gold standard in his award, Buckingham Palace, 2.30. The Prince of Wales visits Hoover factory and lays foundation-stone to extension, Merthyr Tydfil. Mid Glamorgan, 9.40; as chairman, attends luncheon to meet members of Welsh committee of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, Cardiff Castle, 12.20; opens Gnest Keen and Nettlefold steelworks and rod mill, Cardiff, 2.30.

MacSweeney, soprano, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, Victoria Embankment, 1.10.

Church news

Appointments Diocese of Southwark
The Rev J. A. McKay, curate of St
Mary the Virgin, Primrose Hill, diocese
of London, to be Vicar of Christ
Church, Battersoa,
The Rev R. McLean, curate of St
Michael and All Angels', South
Breddingston, to be minister-in-charge
of Holy Cross, Votspur Park. Grand Mickiem, Mr and Mrs I revor Mickiem, Mr C. T. Mickiem, Mr C. T. Mickiem, Mrs and Mrs T. Mickiem, Mrs N. Mickiem, Mrs A. Sheurer, Mrs E. B. Dunneil, Mr John Bohrofen, Glandrale, Lord and Grandrale, Lord Amulres, Sir Herbert Thomoson, Sir Raiph and Lady Marnham, Sir Clement Chesterman / representing Schweizer Hospital Fundt, the Right Rev R. J. Hall indodentor of the General Assembly of the United Reformed Church: the Rev A. L. Mararthur (concerning Rev. Mararthur (concerning Rev.

arthritis'

Britzin spends less than a fifth of

day.

He was speaking at the official or Mason said just over £2m is spent on research, and £1.5m of that is raised by the voluntary efforts of the council.

roll's life and work a revival of The Threepenny Opera, and a workshop production of Conrad Suza's Transformations,

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Mr William Camp, former public relations adviser to British Gas, British Steel. Lord Stokes and Sir Harold Wilson, to be a part-time adviser to the British Railways Board. Mr Michael Grade, aged 33,

deputy director of programmes, entertainment, London Weekend Television, to be director of programmes in succession to the late Mr Cyril Bennett.

The following to be members of the Department of Transport's Advisory Committee on Trunk Road Assessment under the chair-ROAD ASSESSMENT under the chairmanship of Sir George Leitch:
Professor T. E. H. Williams. professor of civil engineeting, Southampton university; Mr. M. Middleion, director, Civic Trust: Mr. R. Beckham, managing director, SPD Ltd: Professor P. Hall. professor of seography. Reading University: Professor J. Durbin, professor of statistics, London University: professor of conomics or Scilaster, lecturer in economics or Scilaster, lecturer in economics and Rees Jeffries Research Tellow, ISE: Dr. J. Pridoaux, stratogic planning officer, Brillsh Rallways Board.

University news Fine-art degree at

Oxford planned A proposal to establish a degree of bachelor of fine art at Oxford or bachelor of fine art at Oxford will be put before Congregation on February 22. It would be open to students at the Russian School of Drawing and Fine Art, which was developed from an endowment in 1871. At present, students at the Ruskin school have no undergraduate status.

recent research at the Medical Research Council's Clinical Research Centre at Northwick Park, Harrow, London, Schlzophrenia is generally believed to be a disorder that does not involve physical deterioration of the brain, although it may result from an imbalance in brain chemicals. But Dr T. J. Crow and Dr Eve John-

Those parients also show signs of intellectual impairment on other

of intellectual impairment on other tests. To find out whether that could be due to arrophy of the brain, Dr Johnstone and Dr Crow used a relatively new technique to take X-ray pictures of the brain. In diseases, such as dementia, where the brain is known to deteriorate, the atrophy is detectible in the enlargement of the the the chiargement of the hollow spaces within the brain. The X-ray scans from the brains of schizophrenics showed evidence of such enlargement in patients who were intellectually impaired.

Dr Crow and Dr Johnstone believe the schizophrenics with the schizophrenics with the patients who were intellectually impaired.

believe that schizophrenics with symptoms such as age disorien-tation belong to a distinct group.

for woman undergraduates, and there is no appreciable difference in standards between men and

The committee sees no reason why eventually the proportion of woman undergraduates admitted to Oxford, 20 per cent in 1973 and expected to be about 27 per

If the resolution is approved it

is expected that New College and Balliol College will quickly go

Magdalen College and St Edmund Hall altered their statutes last summer to allow them to go "mixed". and St John's College and Keble College did so more

recently.

Among the women's colleges St

Anne's and St Hugh's are thought to favour the election of men to

fellowships.

The committee's report says that, since the first mixed colleges were established, there has been a substantial increase in the number of women undergraduates admitted to the university during a period when the increase in the number of men has been much smaller.

cent this year, should not rise to something close to the national average, probably about 36 per

£100,000 winner

The February £100,000 Premium Savings Bond prize has been won by number 17 ZZ 487419. The by number 17 ZZ 487419. The winner lives in South Shields. The £25,000 prize has been won by number 8 KB 449130. The winner lives in Hammersmith.

Strathclyde
Professor A. D. Bain, Esmée
Fairbairn Professor of the Economics of Finand: and Investment at Striling University, to be
professor of economics, and Professor Chengi Kuo, personal professor, in the department of shipbuilding and naval architecture, to
be professor and head of department.

ESSEX
A grant of £143.300 over two years
has been announced by Volkswagen to
the European Consortium for Political
Research, based at the university.

Science report

Schizophrenia: More than one cause

Some schizophrenics may be suf-fering from progressive deteriora-tion of the brain, according to stone have now found that a small group of schizophrenics show signs of brain atrophy.

The group can be identified in two ways. About a quarter of long-stay schizophrenic padents, for instance, are disoriented about their ages. Either they do not know how

zoohrenia is not known, but research with drugs seems to sug-gost that it lies in a disorder of dopamine, a brain chemical.

Experiments with animals show that drugs that imitate the effect of dopamine are effective in reduc-ing schizophrenic symptoms. But it is not known whether schizophren-ic brains are deficient in dopamine or whether it is their response to dopamine that is abnormal. Dr Crow is engaged in further research, on post-mortem schizophrenic brains, to try to clarify that question. By Nature-Times News Service.

· Nature-Times News Service, 1977.

OBITUARY MISS EVEL

Craftsmanship of 1900 revalued

is sold for £3,600

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

the auctioneers' estimate.

pieces from other sources.

Dealers had flown to London

from Europe and America for the sale of Japanese works of art at Sotheby's Belgravia yesterday; every lot was sold, and the total, at f161,787, was 60 per cent above the auctioneers' estimate.

The main attraction was a collection of ivory carrings and lacquer formed by Sidney Larnach

about 1900 from contemporary pieces imported by London's big

stores, such as Liberty's. The sale also included high-quality

Long dismissed as kitsch, the

market in Japanese as Austra. the market in Japanese works of art of that period has been gathering momentum during the past few years. The standard of craftsmasship in Japan about 1900 pro-

bably surpassed any other country in the world; it even stands com-parison with other great epochs, such as France in the eighteenth

Such standards have probably now been lost for ever by a com-binaton of high labour costs and the gradual death of craft tradi-

Yesterday's buyers, however, were not solely impressed by fine traffstamining; pieces had to be large or fasty, craftsmanship agart to commend toy prices. The top price of \$3,500 testimate \$500 testima

to £500) was paid for a life-size numan skull in gold lacquer crawl-ag with twory demonstonic like nugs, a masterly extravaganca.

Shibayama, the most exotic form

of lacquer incorporating a multi-tude of materials, including mother of pearl and ivory, regu-larly attracted top prices; a buthous vase and cover with an enamelied silver lify knop made [2.600] estimate [1.000] to [1,500].

The top price among the ivories was £2.500 'estimate £700 to £1,000; for a mine-inch group of an ivory mask carver at work by

fears for

its future

tors, said yesterday.

By our Arts Reporter The English Music Theatre Com-

pany, successor to the English Opera Group, might be in per-manent jeopardy if it does not

compline to receive Arts Council support. Mr Colin Graham, one of the company's artistic direc-

The countil had been able to tell them what their grant would be to the end of July, but only

two months away from the next financial year, the council still did not know what government

Comments offered to the com-pany expire in six months and many of its members would not be able to make themselves avail-

able much longer in the vague hope of employment. Mr Graham said a withdrawal

Mr Granam said a withdrawar of funds would mean scrapping the company's plans and abandoning 30 years achievement by the English Opera Group.

On a reduced grant, the board would have to make up the ballones and make the company in the ballones.

and summer season, which

and sittamer season, which will include two new productions, Purcell's The Fairy Queen and Momen's The Magus Fluce, and rentrals of Rossini's Cinderella and Britten's Albert Herring.

During the next few years, be said in the country terms.

said, it was intended to cover the whole Britten repertoire, apart from Glorians and Billy Budd.

Autumn plans included the premiere of a specially commissioned work by John Dankworth and Benny Green called All About Alice, based on Lewis Car-

grant they would receive.

Opera group Oxford plan

ensemble concept would dis. and fellows; Corpus Christi Col-

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Japanese carving of skull

Komei, the founder of the Tokyo school of ivory carvers.

Smaller pieces of superb craftsmanship could be had less expen-

manship could be had less expensively: a 2½-inch ivory carving of a swan attacked by a serpent at £130 (estimate £100 to £150), a pair of 3½-inch inlaid metalwork vases, dense with flowers and foliage in gold, silver and Japan's many unique alloys at £800 (estimate £250 to £450) and a 5½-inch lacquer box decorated with miraculous gold-toned landscapes at £1,900 (estimate £400 to £600).

An unusual note was struck by

At Christie's furniture made £68.302 with 8 per cent unsold.
At Sotheby's, Bond Street, silver made £30,377, with 4 per cent unsold, and a book sale in Chancery Lane made £23,915, with 3

per cent unsold.

£25,056 stamps: The first day of
Stanley Gibbons's two-day allWorld stamp auction in London
made a total of £25,056. An
unused marginal block of 15 Great
Britain 1902-10 4d deep green and
charalate brown issue made £290

chocolate brown issue made £290 'estimate £90' and a superbunused corner copy of France's 1935 50 francs airmail stamp fetched £220 (estimate £200).

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From Our Correspondent

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She was the first chairman of her urban council, and a chairman divisional bench. She An unusual note was struck by a house sale in East Essex held by Clifford Dann and Partners in conjunction with Garrod Turner. The house was Shepherds Hill, divisional bench. She st Buxted, home of the late Sir Edward Maufe, who designed Guildford Cathedral. the General Synod a bursar of an enclosed A Royal Academician, Sir Edward was the friend of many artists and designers of the art deco period. Highlights of the sale included a 35in stone sculpture of a female torso by Eric Gill entitled "Headdress" at \$2500 (estimate \$1500) community, an oblate v a daily rule for her perfection. And she wa Canon of the Cathedra Before much was sa women's "lib", she p Gill entitled "Headdress" at £3,800 (estimate £1,500), a bronze figure of "A virgin in pensive mood", almost 6ft high, by Rossandic, at £2,100 (estimate £800), an oil by James Pryde, "The Sinister Interior", of about 1927 at £1.250 (estimate £500) and an art deco sofa or duchesse à bateau by Emile Ruhlimann at £900 (estimate £500). The sale brought £90,000 with every lot sold.

A sale of selected oil paintings at Bonham's made £74,046 with 8 per cent unsold, and a sale of furniture £20,824 with 7 per cent unsold. new ways and found he

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COUNTESS **CAPPONI** G.M. writes:

Elayth Capponi was the last of the disti expatriates who for ovtury adorned Florentine Her mother, born a V and married to an Ai had lived in Florence of her life, where sl the Brownings as a died at the age of 10 markable old lady who to the end her "testa and "cuore sensibile". Elnyth was sent to : England, but her hom Florence and there she an Italian nobleman, Capponi, who was a s naval officer. In 1940 r living in London, wher Naval Attaché at the in both their lives was which Mussolini decla on Britain. Thereafter tragic fate was to be at woman living in an country, with her bushing at sea on the opportrom some of her from some of her friends and relations.

Oxford University is to be asked on February 22 to allow its 21 single-sex undergraduate colleges, including the five women's colleges, to admit both sexes as students and fellows. A resolution advancing that as university policy is to be submitted to Consregation by the Hebdomadal Council When Italy surrent 1943 and the Italian F ordered to Malta, Capt poni was on leave and sailed without him. I arrest by the Germans his eldest son went int The resolution suggests, however, that some single-sex colleges should remain, and that an orderly process of change would be in the hest interests of the university. It is also suggested that the colleges should have responsibility for maintaining an appropriate balance in the number of places at mixed and single-sex colleges.

The resolution remas after the on his country estate: Florence, where Elm living in the villa with soldiers billeted on he they would come to she bravely resisted all to make her reveal the The resolution comes after the abouts. This shattering report of a committee set up last summer with the vice-chancellor, Sir John Habakkuk, as chairman, ence, which lasted liberation of Florence English Opera Group.

On a reduced grant, the board 1972, by which five men's colleges, would have to make up the balless. Brasenose, Wadham, Hertzake and change the company into ford and St Catherine's, were an ad hoc one. in which the allowed to admit woman students have left most people wreck, but Elnyth net in her attitude of

alpofness to her guests. At the end of the lege to admit woman fellows and graduates, and New College and Ballioi College to admit woman representative at Shar they made a host

After his death in lived with her mothe. Via de' Bardi, and the great Renaissance apar full of memories; st

entertain a stream of the from England for will the come to symbs unique attraction of before it was destroye tourists. Lovely as

woman, with her blue golden hair, she had go a sort of beauty wh does not wither. in her own right, she remembered, and mon her charm, wit and co

LIEUT-GEN: A. GALLOW. E. K. G. S. writes:

Your obituary of Fe does not tell of the Galloway played in the tions in the Desert (C against Rommel in N 1942. But for him a w would have taken pla would have played str Rommel's hands. Torn loyalty to the comm whom he was chief sta and the knowledge of battle demanded, Gallo the withdrawal orders sonally informed Auch the situation thus enal mand himself.

and himself.
Field Marshal Auchi acknowledged and Gev Guignand has recour essential part Gallowa in the battle. As a rest way was promoted to General but not, as h given command of a di the field. Instead be Director of Staff Dutihope that his knowledt Desert War could be the preparation of th

at home.
After his exacting W tour Galloway was give mand of 1st Armour sion. Unhappily the div never in action dus opportunity of comp active operations, which surely have led him to

Sandy was certainly gentle disposition but I bursts of rage were st and he never lost his humour. He was much his brother officers Cameronians (Scomish and by spose others w

Mr William Hanlon, many years deputy (
and managing direc
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Ltd. has died. He was (of the Water Tube Boile Association from 1969 director of British Associates.

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THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



eelmakers tell ussels that EC crisis plan ces collapse

sterday that the Comanti-crisis plan was in collapse unless the Governments took n curb the flow of from third countries. e protestations by Commission officials so-called Simonet plan intary sales quotas is and has been welcomed

steel industry as a f stabilizing trade, it is steelmakers themonsider the measures concern was expressed annuniqué issued after ng of the governing Eurofer, the organiza-European steelmakers European steelmakers le associations formed

the end of last year to

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recognizing efforts by mission to apply its dan" (a reference to onet voluntary sales and production cut-e governing body said that these efforts will o satisfactory results". products within the

statement ty, the state id have no practical reestablishing the so long as third producers were free to Community's

accordingly most formally steelmakers requested the Commission to take, as soon as possible, all appropriate initiatives with the Governments of the member states and with third country Governments to reduce the import of steel products into the Community to a level com-

patible with the quantitative equilibrium which it is trying to reestablish on the Com-munity market by its recommendations restrictions The French steel industry has suffered badly in the recession, and its difficulties are being

has been pressing for higher sales quotas. The Simonet scheme was intended to run for a trial period of four months; but many European steelmakers consider tougher action is needed with

regard to imports if serious problems for many leading undertakings are to be avoided. The request from Eurofer was submitted by Herr Dieter Spethmann, chairman of August Thyssen Hutte, West Germany's largest steel producer. He sent it to Viscount Etienne d'Avignon, the industry com-

missioner. According to Brussels officials the commissioner indicated that the Community would be re-luctant to impose restrictions

on steel imports. He stressed that this could lead to difficulties with American steelmakers who were already worried that Japan's self-restraint agreement with with their own.
inued: "The governy of Eurofer has to the United States.

the Community could lead to a diversion of Japanese exports to the United States.

tal Box severs its links in Israel

of the Israeli company, or seeking other buyers. It was

Consumer credit safeguards soon

By Ronald Emler

Substantial and long-awaited the public under the terms of the Consumer Credit Act 1974

tection.

Speaking to a London conference on the Act he promised publication of regulations covering aspects of consumer chedit. Mr Fraser said there would be a definition of the rate of interest plus other charges below which a transaction would be exempt from

control. say what that rate might be he said he was thinking of fixing it "somewhere around mini-mum lending rate" because to go below it would be regarded as imposing legislation where no extra protection was

Probably the most welcome part of the new provisions will be the introduction of a right for a member of the public to know the name of any credit reference agency to which a trader might make reference, and to know what information is held about his credit-worthiness and to correct wrong information.

introduced soon is the provision allowing courts to reopen agreements which are extortionate. In this context Mr Fraser said there were a "few to be looked at". However, he emphasized that the philosophy of the Act was to help people to

avoid getting into difficulties in the first place, rather than help-

£500,000 of further state aid to enable it to acquire the worldwide marketing rights from NVT, at present its only "cus-

and disturbing ".
In a statement, it said it felt

German jobless total jumps 14.6pc

Serck rejects bid by Associated Engineering

that the unemployment figures endorsed its demand for a government investment pro-gramme of "at least DM 20,000m "-double the level of that being drawn up by

Announcing the figures today in Nuremberg, Herr Josef Stingl, president of the Federal Labour Office, said it was not certain that the high In Herr Schmidt's own party, the Social Democrats, there were calls for further measures to ease the situation While seasonal factors were held to be largely responsible for the sudden rise in the numbers our of work, Herr Stingl said a certain weakening in the economy could not be interested. on the labour market, with concern being expressed about the structural element in Ger-many's unemployment total.

Not surprisingly, Herr Hel-mut Kohl, the Christian Democrat opposition leader, also

this unwelcome offer " which, the board feels is not in the in-terests of its "shareholders,

employees or customers".
Shareholders, who can expect to receive AE's formal offer

document in a few days, are "strongly urged" by their board not to sell.

Fleming confirmed that there had been "mentions" of a

possible link between the two companies in recent weeks. But

a spokesman for the bank said that there had been no formal

talks and that the first indica-

In Düsseldorf the Deutscher expressed horror at the Gewerkschaftsbund, the German equivalent of the Trades Union Congress, described the development as "disappointing of the Congress, and called for coordinated economic and social measures "to tackle at last development as "disappointing or the congress of the congre Although today's figures are

bound to increase pressure on the Government to do more to stimulate the economy, there were no signs that Bonn would Dr Armin Grünewald, deputy

government spokesman, said that it should not be ignored that the number out of work had dropped by more than 100,000 compared with January, 1976; while the number of people affected by short-time working had declined by 470,000 over the year.

AE, which raised £9.89m from

the market with a rights issue

last November, reported pre-tax

profits of £21m on a £252m turnover last year, its fifth suc-

cessive year of record profits.

Mr John Ferguson, AE's chairman, commented in January that he had "good reason to believe" that profits in the current year would top £30m.

And at that time he said that

there seemed no scope for a major increase in the volume of AE's traditional motor compon-

expressed borror at the "The labour market policy of figures, and called for coordinated economic and social proven itself."

There were appreciable in-

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ployment among young people and foreign workers. Nearly 7 per cent of the under 20s were without jobs. There was a sharp rise also in short-time working, with the number affected increasing by \$5,100, or nearly 26 per cent, to 268,800.

About the only bright spot in a generally gloomy set of figures was the Labour Office's of vacancies on its books-rose by 8.6 per cent to 201,900 over He added that the sudden rise in unemployment during the winter was to be expected.

16,100 on December's figure and 11,300 more than in January, 1976.

looked attractive.
Mr Ferguson also revealed

that the group planned to spend £35m on capital expansion in

the next two years the bulk of

this money being earmarked for British operations.

Serck reported pre-tax profits two-fifths higher of £7.1m in its last financial year to the end of September 1976 on turnover ahead by 16 per cent to £68m. Based in Solihull in the West Midlands Serck produces heat

transfer equipment heating con-

trols and valves.

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Valentine's Day blow for country brokers

London's five biggest stock jobbers have told country brokers that they are imposing a new charge from February 14 (St Valentine's Day) to cover administration costs. The move has provoked some strong protests from what strong protests from what a spokesman for a leading firm of jobbers, Pinchin Denny, yesterday described as a "vociferous minority".

In a letter, sent out last week, the jobbers informed country brokers that there would be a charge of £1.50 for every bargain, whatever its size, which they handled for brokers operating outside the London settlement system,

Since the London and provincial stock exchanges merged five years ago, these bargains have been handled without charge, even though several jobbers have found it necessary to set up separate departments for business coming from the country.

Business coming kers is Business
London brokers is now channelled through Charm, a accounting and checking, accounting and reporting system which was to have been introduced countrywide, preparatory to the intro-duction of the Stock Exchange's fully computerized settlement system, Talisman, in 1979. The Stock Exchange Council recently decided, however, that Charm need not be inflicted upon country brokers, many of whom were putting up a fight for their existing bargain

accounting systems. It appears that it may have been this decision which trig-gered off the move by the big five London brokers to impose administration charges unilaterally. As a spokesman for Ackroyd & Smithers said last night, the jobbers had been prepared to carry the costs of administering the bargains of country brokers in the expectation that the London accounting system would shortly be widespread: but the delay had convinced them that these costs could be

borne no longer. He stressed that the jobbers would not be making a "would not be making a profit" on the £1.50 they propose to charge.

The Stock Exchange, which still exploring the implications has recently been considering of the scheme, but have given moves to encourage the small investor, including the intro-Babcock deal on this basis and have said they will consider all man when it comes into operation, had no comment to make yesterday on the proposed introduction of administration charges by the jobbers.

> broker concerned, whether or not he decides to pass on the new charge. At the moment dealing costs are negotiable on bargains worth less than £20 and thereafter, up to £440 in value, the minimum dealing cost is £7.

It will be a matter for the

There are 14 jobbers still operating in London: but apart from the big five many of them are specialists. There are six provincial jobbers.

Adrienne Gleeson

Bonn, Feb 3 West Germany's unemployment total rose to 1,248,900 last month from 1,090,000 at of 14.6 per cent. As a result 5.5 per cent of the working population are now jobless, compared with 4.8 per cent a

the end of December, a jump

point of the winter had yet

launched a £36m takeover bid

last night for Serck, the valve

and heat exchange engineers.

AE, the Midlands-based auto-

morive and engineering com-

ponents group, is offering nine of its own shares for every 10 Serck shares, a bid valuing Serck's shares at 931, which is 331p above the shares' closing restarting the shares' closing

price yesterday.

In a statement issued last

night Serck's directors, and its financial advisers Robert Flem-

Meriden motor cycle co-operative has been forced to

stop work and lay off all 700

production workers. Further

delays in announcing a widely-

forecast Government rescue package have precipitated a

Engineering

financial advisers Robert Flemtion of a bid came with the ing, firmly rejected the offer, detailed terms which were Serck is "totally opposed to delivered yesterday evening.

Cash rescue delay halts

Meriden and lays off 700

month earlier.

been reached.

Associated

additions to the protection of were promised "within a matter of weeks" yesterday by Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Pro-

needed."

The delay in introducing the regulations had been largely due to the drawing up of an acceptable formula for the calculation of effective interest

The final regulation to be

cash crisis. Meriden stopped supplying motor cycles to its marketing agent, Norton Villiers Triumph, some seven weeks ago. However, it has continued us to decide. Company regula- them, but he was certain Metal tions allow partners to sell Box would raise no difficulties. their shares and the board has Mr Lev added: "We were producing machines for stock in the hope that Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, would make a speedy announce

The cooperative is seeking

£1m. When the Government today.

on Monday, it is expected to clear the way for Sir Arnold Weinstock's GEC Group to put up the £1m necessary to cover the stockpile, and to assist with the marketing.

But last night Mr Dennis Poore, chairman of NVT, said:

The Department of Industry was warned as long ago as last May that the cooperative would face a cash crisis in the New Year,"

The cooperative managers have told their workers that if the Government scheme goes through they should be laid off only for three weeks.

Lord Stokes, former chairman of British Leyland, has

accepted an invitation from Lever, the Prime Minister's economic adviser, to help Mr Geoffrey Robinson, Geoffrey MP for In the meantime, it has Labour MP for Coventry stopped supplying NVT. The North-west, and a key supresult is that it now has more porter of the cooperative, said than 2,000 Triumph Bonne- last night that he hoped the villes in stock worth about agreements could be completed

attractive largely because of sterling's weakness. lanley fulfils a dream in state mines takeover ceremony at Discovery Bay

to provide some compensatory attractions for foreign buyers obliged to borrow in currency, while at the same time meeting the needs of those British suppliers which want to in-voice in sterling because their

Lazards introduces new export credits scheme

Hill Samuel, which is acting as adviser to AE, was unable Britain, but that world markets to comment on the deal last looked attractive.

By Christopher Wilkins

are negotiating a capital goods rency scheme developed by Lazard Bros.

The merchant bank has designed the plan to fit in with the recently announced Government scheme for funding future export credits in against the cost of the conforeign currency rather than

Deals of over £20m, or in some cases much less, will not in future be able to get the backing of the Export Credits Guarantee Department upless they are denominated in foreign

It has been widely feared that this switch of emphasis might discourage foreign companies from buying British goods, which have proved

costs are in sterling.
Under the plan, the foreign borrower would draw the full amount of his export credit in

GEC and Babcock & Wilcox would be sold into sterling and invested by the lending bank in fixed interest British securiexport credit deal worth about ties, such as gilts, so as to £100m under a novel Eurocurmature at the time when the supplier had to be paid.
Since the return on those

investments would at present, substantially exceed the cost of currency borrowing, there would be an effective profit for the foreign buyer to offset

The Treasury, the Bank of England and the ECGD are their approval for the GEC/ individual merits.

If the scheme became widely used its implications could be considerable. First, it would mean an immediate benefit to the balance of payments to the full value of a contract as soon terling's weakness.

as it was signed. At present
Lazard's scheme is designed payments are usually paced out over the life of the contract

Secondly it could mean a substantial inflow of new money into gits from abroad.
The likely volume of currency export credits this year has been estimated at \$1,000m, and if a significant amount of this

were financed under the Lazard scheme it could have Eurocurrency as soon as the some impact upon government contract with the British sup-funding programmes.

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partners of Metal Box
Israel Can Company
Ily accepted a decision ritish company to terhe partnership under from customers who y were threatened with bowcott if they conboycott if they con- pendent. sing Metal Box con- Mr Lev Arab blacklist for several years. Mr Lev added that Metal Box had the option of offering its and was seriously concerned about the pressure being put on raham Lev. chairman shares to the existing partners some customers.

er a board meeting not yet clear whether the ings were given by Kuwait and There was nothing for Israeli partners wanted to buy Saudi Arabia.

Kaiser cedes control of Jamaican aluminium holdings

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Bay, Jamaica

chael Manley, Prime of Jamaica, took a nig step towards fuldream of a demoialist state today by he formal agreement is country financial f one of the island's nited States bauxite ompanies eremony in the hills

ng Discovery Bay, some of Jamaica's sposits of bauxite—the rial for aluminiumthe Kaiser Aluand Chemical Corpormining company, auxite, and ownership entire bauxite lands amaican Government. announced in March, renegotiate its agree-

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This marked the second phase of a plan to acquire a stake in the aluminium-producers' operation, and came after a tenfold increase in the bauxite export levy, imposed unilaterally after talks with the American companies had broken

considered crucial by the Jamaican authorities, and has been heralded as the blueprint for similar deals between rened away 51 per cent sources-rich developing nations and multinational companies. Kaiser flew in a planeload of United States and European journalists to witness the signing, and Mr Maniey, accompanied by top government min-isters and officials, arrived by

ments with the six big American helicopter at the Kaiser-owned companies which have major investments in bauxite and alumina—the intermediate stage between ore and metal—on the lideral of the United States.

Mr. Maylor described the

Mr Manley described the agreement as "a decisive forward movement in our continuing attempts to build an economy based on the principle of maximum local involvement in the strategic resources on which the growth of our econ-

omy depends". Mr Cornell Maier, Kaiser's president and chief executive, said it was beneficial and fair The Kaiser deal is clearly to forge a new bond of understanding and trust.

European Kaiser, whose European operations include the Anglesey Aluminium smelter in the United Kingdom in which it has a two-thirds share, relies on Jamaica for 70 per cent of its bauxite supplies.

These are mined by Kaiser

Bauxite, and Alumina Partners of Jamaica, a company jointly owned by Kaiser and two other big American aluminium com-panies, Reynolds and Anaconda. It operates a 900,000 tons per year alumina plant in southern Jamaica, supplying, among others, the Anglesey smelter.

Jamaica is the world's second

largest producer of bauxite, behind Australia, and the revenue from the levy is vital to the island's shaky economy. Development of the bauxite

reserves has been dependent upon American capital, and with plentiful supplies of the ore available in other parts of the world, the negotiations with the American aluminium giants have been conducted in a delicate atmosphere.

line with the policies of the international Bauxite Association, of which the island was a founder mem-

ber, formed to halt what was seen as exploitation of the resources of developing nations. Jamaica's bauxite levy, based on the international market price for aluminium ingots, is designed to put the country in a good position to benefit from rising world demands for the It is hoped that in the next

few years aluminium supplies will be tight, leading to higher Under the Kaiser deal.

Jamaica is to pay \$11m (about £6.4m) for its 51 per cent stake, payable over 10 years at 8.5 per cent interest. The company's 48,000 acres of land is being taken over for \$14.5m, also over 10 years. Kaiser gets a 40-year mining lease, and has to pay the government an average return on its investment of about 12 per cent.

the markets moved

The Times index: 168.25+0.56 The FT index: 406.0-0.1

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violating securities laws in the United States. News of the accusations, made

by the Securities and Exchange Commission, came just as Racal announced that it was extending its offer for Milgo and increasing the bid from \$30 to \$32.50 a share.

The alleged activities took place between November and lanuary, and are said to have involved a plan to block Applied Digital's bid for Milgo by Milgo issuing shares to Racal. The effect would have been to prevent Applied Digital from obtaining the necessary 80 per cent of stock that it required, to trigger certain tax

knowing of "a false and mis-leading press release" issued by Milgo and participating in events leading to its issue. Racal's adviser, Hill Samuel,

Applied Digital, which has so

finance its takeover through a rights issue, has already seen compared with its opening offer

The charges include allegations that Racal and Milgo acted together in trying to

sent making a rival bid for the Milgo Corporation. But the commission said yes terday that its action was "not intended to affect or interfere with, and is unrelated " to, the cash offer now being made by Racal or the share exchange offer from Applied Digital.

than a severe censure by the This view is supported by the fact that the plan was not actually carried our and that thwart a bid from Applied Digital Data Systems, at pre-

talization.

Racal, which intends partly to

Racal accused of violating American securities laws By Richard Allen The commission has also Racal Electronics—currently accused Milgo of making "uninvolved in a £34m takeover true statements" and Racal of battle for the American group, Milgo-has been accused of

was last night unable to com-ment on the seriousness of the charges, but it is thought that the offences, if proved, are unlikely to lead to much more

the SEC has not moved to inter-fere with Racal's present bid. Meanwhile the British group, having received only 24 per cent acceptances in respect of its first bid, is expecting more success with the higher offer. far offered about \$29 a share in its own paper is thought unable to raise the bid because of its own relatively low capi-

the total cost of its bid rise from \$46m to \$58m. At \$32.50, of \$26 a share, it would be buying Milgo at just under 12 times this year's earnings.

More lay-offs as production hit by disputes at Leyland factories

More than 9,000 British Leyland workers were idle yesterday and output was disrupted less than 24 hours after senior shop stewards gave a warning that car workers were "raring to strike" over pay anomalies resulting from the Government's wages strategy.

At Coventry all Triumph car output was at a standstill with 3,200 workers laid off because of a continuing strike by 300 paint shop men protesting over the company's use of industrial engineers on work study exercises in their department.

There have been a series of disputes over this issue in dif-ferent Leyland car plants in spite of the fact that the company has negotiated agree-ments with the car unions covering the use of industrial

This fresh trouble at Triumph weeks no completed vehicles

have left the plant. Earlier, cars had to be stockpiled because of a strike by delivery drivers employed by a contracting firm in the Midlands. Now the drivers are refusing to cross the paint shop men's picket lines.

Another consequence of the Coventry standstill is that 400 more workers have been sent home from the Dolomite car body pressing department at Leyland's Triumph factory at stoppage, thus easing the situ-Speke, Liverpool, and more ation. A Leyland management layoffs are likely.

Leyland's other big trouble spot is its main Midlands car

body-making complex at Castle Bromwich. Two separate dis-putes there, resulting in strikes by 350 press operators and 400 inspectors resulted in more than 3,000 layoffs yesterday.

Shortages of car bodies immediately started to take their toll in other Leyland car assembly centres. At Long-bridge, Birmingham, 2,100

workers were laid off yesterday from the Mini assembly lines and there were warnings of progressive layoffs involving thousands more workers at Longbridge, the Rover plant at Solihull and at Jaguar,

Coventry. However, last night striking inspectors, who had been protesting over the trans-fer of one man to their department, decided to call off their spokesman said that some workers from other areas of the Castle Bromwich plant could

be recalled. At Cowley, Oxford, 650 men were still laid off yesterday because of disputes in Leyland's central spares depot.

But another 1,600 who had been laid off from the Cowley

assembly plant were recalled to resume Marina production which had been halted for two days by yet another strike.

'More flexible' pricing | Pritchard group shares in £140m policy by BSC By Roger Vielvoye

mented by the British Steel Corporation to increase its share of the United Kingdom

Mr Michael Robson, strip mill products commercial director for the corporation, however, confirmed officially that, because of poor market conditions, the state steel under-taking would not seek to inprices until the second

half of this year. However, he told a conference on steel in London yesterits strip mili "extras" at the earliest opportunity. It was acknowledged that quite a substantial rise in basic prices of strip mill products would be required as soon as possible to trade balance this year. By cover the huge jump in costs 1980 it would be achieving a which had taken place.

the BSC also hoped to increase per cent of the overall market. its share of the United Kingdom by imports because of supply difficulties over the past require a major effort across three years, by regaining cus- a wide front,

euromarkets in the next week

By Our Industrial tomer confidence. This, hope-Correspondent fully, would be achieved by More flexible and competitive pricing policies are being imple-to ensure supplies even when

production fell short. United Kingdom demand for cold reduced sheet and coil, he said, was forecast to rise to 700,000 tonnes for the months to the end of March, from the present level of 600,000 tonnes a quarter and less than 400,000 tonnes in

In a joint paper presented to the conference by Mr Bernard Asher and Mr Richard Spiegelberg, of the National Economic Development Office, who have been closely associated with the work of the sector working party on steel, it was suggested that the steel industry would emerge from a deficit on its

considerable surplus. Mr Robson told the conference, organized by the Institute of Purchasing and Supply, that now accounted for nearly 20 The NEDO officials stressed that the improvements which were now in prospect would

Sweden is to raise a \$1,000m It will carry a projected name of the Kingdom

eurocurrency interest rate spread of ? per

loan shortly. The seven-year cent over eurodollar rates for

facility is expected to be placed four years and 1 per cent for

into full syndication in the the last three years.

Saudi contract

A British company has won a 20 per cent share in a £140m five-year contract to take over the public cleansing service in Riyadh, the Saudi Arabian

Saudi Pritchard, 50 per cent Group, has a 40 per cent share in the contract. Waste Management Inc of Chicago has the majority 60 per cent holding.

Mr Peter Princhard said the contract would involve invest-ment of about £22m on offices, maintenance facilities and workers' accommodation, and a further £15m on equipment, including vehicles.

Under the contract, the partnership will collect and dispose of all domestic and commercial refuse from the population of 600,000, and will also be responsible for street cleaning. Mr Pritchard said it was the first time a city had put its entire cleansing operation our to con-tract. Previously Riyadh had run its own cleansing depart-

ment. There will be worldwide tendering for the construction work and equipment, and Mr Pritchard hoped that British companies would bid for them.

Sweden to raise \$1,000m Euroloan

Swedish Central Bank. The loan will be managed by group of Swedish and United

Sweden, or in the name of the

Call for firm EEC stand on textile pact as Gatt talks face delay

By Peter Hill

later this month under the aegis of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, are expected to be delayed until March.

This emerged yesterday as the Textile Industry Support Campaign, the ginger group which represents elements of the Lancashire cotton and allied textile industry, called on the EEC to press forward with its proposals for a fundamental renegotiation of the MFA, introduced four years ago to govern the trade in textiles between the developed and

Mr John Bridge chairman of TISC, said: "Already we have the feeling that there is some softening in the approach of the European Commission to the forthcoming talks. There must be no compromise and the negotiators must stick to the points made during pre-liminary discussions in Decem-

The Gatt talks on the MFA are now not expected to begin until the second balf of March, according to reports from Geneva yesterday. The reason for the delay is that the European Community cannot obtain a mandate to establish its negotiating position before a meeting of the Council of Ministers scheduled for March 8.

However, an informal discussion on the future of the MFA among representatives of the

Talks on the future of the Multi Fibre Arrangement, scheduled to open in Geneva it wants the Garr's textile commonth. Japan has indicated that mittee meeting to end before

April 1. Japan, the United States and most of the developing coun-tries have shown a desire to see the present MFA-which ends at the end of this year-to be extended for a further period

without modification. Mr Bridge told a press con-ference: "The situation in the European textile industry bad but in the United Kingdom it is terrible. We must have tougher controls or soon we will have virtually no textile industry in Lancashire at all.

"Our negotiators have to stand firm. They must argue from strength and not go to the discussions as supplicants with a begging bowl."

In a pamphlet issued to re-inforce its claims, TISC says that more than 300,000 jobs have been lost in European textile manufacturing—a third of them in the United Kingdom—since the MFA was signed four years ago. A further 1,600,000 jobs are at risk it adds

risk, it adds.

Mr Bridge sounded a warning that further mill closures in Lancashire could be in prospect. 12,000 workers in comon and allied textiles are already covered by temporary employment subsidy payments. There is also concern about

the threat of further imports cotton yarn from South Korea as a result of new arrangements negotiated by the

Ulster plants to benefit in £12m Gallaher expansion

Gallaher, the American-owned due to operate from January tobacco manufacturer, yesterday announced a £12m reequipment plan mainly in Northern Ire-

rest at the company's two fac-tories at Hyde and Middleton,

Almost all of the money will be spent on high technology British machinery, and with local building and installation contractors, Mr Stuart Cameron managing director of the com-pany's tobacco division, said. The programme would take four years and cost several hundred fewer jobs. Redundancies however would be entirely vol-untary or be absorbed by natural wastage.

The old York Street plant in Belfast, is to be closed and its operations concentrated in the Bankers are unsure whether the borrowing will be in the ing in a syndication.—Reuter.

States banks, but with other adjacent Henry Street factory.
Gallaher's director said that the new tobacco tax structure

affect the ultimate sales price Some 18m is to be spent on plants in Belfast and Ballymena, employing 5,000 people, and the be tied to production costs. be tied to production costs.

Asked whether he thought the assassination of Mr Jeffery Agate, Dupont chief, 18 hours earlier would affect United States management attitudes to-wards further investment in Ulster, Mr Cameron said: "As far as this company is con-cerned it will not affect our intentions at all. Gallahers belongs to Northern Ireland and we are staying here."

Luxembourg loan: An 518.5m loan to help in the improvement and extension of the telephone service in Northern Ireland was signed in Luxembourg yester-day by the Post Office and the European Investment Bank, the long term finance institution of

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Public spending cuts: the effect on private sector

From Mr Richard Hermon Sir. May I follow up Mr T. J. Hobson's letter to you (on public spending cuts) which appeared in Business News" on January 24:

measures do not have an adverse effect on employment. The proposed reductions affect Both these figures for construc-capital rather to an current extion have been growing—the penditure programmes". This must surely be one of the classic statements and juxta-positions of all time. It can only reader anyone concerned the construction industry speechless, and depress them yet further, if that is possible. The simple fact is that such "policies" on public sector ex-penditure cuts have, in practical effect as DoE well know, simply transferred the repercussions to the private sector and their employees-builders and contractors, professional firms, building material producers, builders' merchants. plant manufacturers and so on down the line of service and commodity supply with nationailed incustries also bearing a relatively small share at least of some of them.

and taese affecting repair,

superimposed on a depressed private sector, there are now at leas: 320,000 fewer jobs in industries directly concerned with construction than there were at the peak of 1973. Un-He quotes from the DoE ciremployment among operatives cular: "The Government's aim engaged in the actual construcengaged in the actual construchas been to ensure that the tion process alone is over 15 per cent getting on for three times the national average. tion have been growing-the

> grow yet more. By 1978, given modest growth in the economy as a whole, the contribution of construction to the economy will have fallen over 30 per cent in volume terms from its level in 1972 and for many years before. The implications of that, coupled with all the other repercussions of present policies bearing on the provision of our industrial, commercial and social services infrastructure and its proper maintenance and improvement, raises wider fundamental issues which should be of the greatest concern and require the closest and most urgent consideration. Yours faithfully.

Director, As the result of these succes The National Council of Build-sive capital expenditure cuts ing Material Producers,

RICHARD HERMON.

exchange rate

From Mr B. D. G. Sk Sir, You were kind en publish my recent lette terest rates in your January 24.

On the related subject pound/dollar exchange—is there ar reason for the present policy of forcib ing the rate down to During most of 1976 eigners took their mo of this country at rates From Mr H. R. Wynne-Griffith between \$2.20 and \$1.60 Sir, The price inflation-proofing we are artificially hok rate down and they ar

> market. One bears the statem the pound must be ken order to stimulate expe I suggest that in with the prices of our The troubles are: (1)

> When shall we learn natural forces come to and stop trying to everything? In any ev foreigners will take money out when thi wrong again, so why the rate rise now? Yours truly,

Paddock House, Old Rectory Close, Walton-On-The-Hill, Tadworth, Surrey KT20 7RZ. January 31.

maintenance and improvement Linking pensions to earnings index

From Mr Norman Crosby Sir. Your correspondent, Mr Robert Hargreaves (February 24, is of course, right in arguing that current equity between public service pensioners and workers restrained by pay policies could be simply restored by linking pensions with the index of average earnings. This method urged when the Pensions In-trease Act was being considered. It was rejected by the then government in the expec-inflation-proofing of official tarion, fully realized until the pensions with the increases (if earnings would increase faster than the retail price index. Those of us who retired around 1970-71 find that our successors, now retiring, have pensions at least 50 per cent above our current pensions despite the index linked additions to the latter.

True equity could only be restored by back dating any lipking with the index of average earnings to the date of re-tirement. This would cost the country much more than the maintenance of the present system despite the anomalous pension increases for those who retired during the last three or four years.

Yours faithfully. NORMAN CROSBY,

February 2

of official pensions should not be compared with the salary

earners as a result of the pay code. as was implied by Mr Robert Hargreaves' letter (February 2). It is much more relevant to compare the price any) in the pensions of other retired earners. The increases awarded by the Government are desirable, but they are only awarded because the taxpayer is assumed to be prepared to pay the cost, whereas industry cannot bear such burdens, at least at the same levels. The anomaly can best be removed by the Government curing the allment rather than treating the symptom and beginning to correct those policies which have caused the rates of price (and salary) inflation which have resulted in the anomaly

Yours faithfully, HUW WYNNE-GRIFFITH, 48 Dalmore Road, West Dulwich, London SE21. February 2.

becoming so apparent.

Tax evasion and the

banks' role From Mr John Wakehi for Maldon (Conservativ Sir, I hope and expect for officials will want to fo' Nube assistant secrete Vose (February 1), in t the confidential rela customer. No responsil son supports tax evasi frankly a banker canno the whole story, for exa has not in his capaci cuts will ensure that they will banker, seen his custor

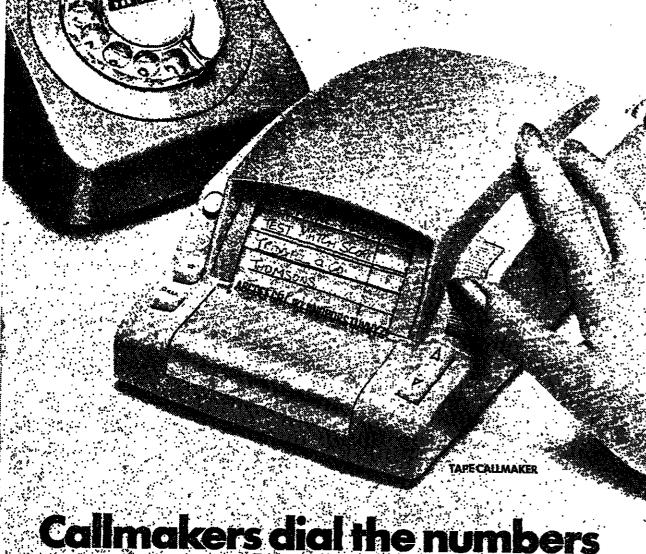
> return Many things can be improve our tax gather relationship between : payer, his bankers and c professional adviser be wholly counter prod Yours faithfully, JOHN WAKEHAM. House of Commons, London SW1A OAA. February 1.

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Patricia Tisdall who returned recently from the capital, Kingston,

Serck prepares

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

to fight Engineering has houses, there is little criticism. ing its muscles for Indeed, the book shows that DM 1,300m cut write offs while ks now and the share pricing practices have got better funds freed by reduced stock

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Cash flow benefits

style to start building bridges at this stage of the game so the credibility gap between the company and the City remains as wide as ever. Nowhere in the latest annual report, then, is there any attempt to spell out its strategy even after a year of moving in several directions at once in the United

Yet despite these shortcomings Lourho still manages to clock up an impressive earnings advance year by year and though the first quarter figures will not be available until the end of the month, with the financial side getting into its stride, recovery in mining and steel and motors going well that trend will not be interrupted.

Meanwhile, despite rising borrowings which will go up another £20m or so if the Dunford bid goes through and in-creased working capital requirements-Brentford Nylons and the Volkswagen franchise have, for instance, helped push stocks up a half to £228m and other changes in current assets are largely attributable to one-off effects of the Balfour William-

son confirming business, there is no need to revive the

liquidity fears of five years

vealed by the annual report, aside from a near one fifth rise in earnings per share to 23.1p from the time of the preliminary figures arising mainly from a different treatment of taxation, is the extent of currency benefits. At £24m this is some way ahead of outside estimates but it has been whittled down to a below the line extraordinary gain of only £10.4m due to associate write-downs, parricularly at the Beira-Feruka pipethe Issuing Houses

The shares, up another 5p to 85p yesterday, have started to move more in line with the market with United States institutions now starting to show Accounts: 1975-76 (1974-75)

Capitalization, £136m Net assets, £223m (£165m) Borrowings, £150m (£116m) Pre-tax profit, £93.4m (£63.3m) Earnings per share, 23.14p

Pressure on margins

nes through most
the book however.
Instructions gulf higher profits from Siemens in
s between the City the year to end-September
prospective public heralded a recovery in the
tris clear that company's share price on German stock exchanges. Although
the shares dropped DM 1 in
Frankfurt yesterday to close at
DM 259.50, the price was still
comfortably ahead of that just
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Terms with City

Yet the Siemens board nas since made clear that the increase in group net profit to DM 606m in 1975-6 from DM 458m the previous year was paradoxically largely the result of a slow down in business activity: at around 63 per cent. against 69 per cent the previous year, average capacity utiliza-tion in the group reached its lowest level since the Second

But a reduction in fixed asset longer

building helped turn Siemens' DM 55m interest burden of 1974-5 into a surplus of DM

rent business year presents a mixed picture. Net earnings ter tax are virtually changed at DM 136m against DM 135m a year before, but the margin has dropped to 2.5

rose by an exceptional 22 per cent to DM 6,600m from

ance in the future, new criteria planned consolidation of Kraftwerk Union which has been Kraftwerk Union is expected

to make profits for the rest of this decade but its consolida tion will depress margins.

arguments

For Golden Hope shareholders awash with confusing documen-tation from rival suitors Harri-sons and Crosfield and Genting Highlands, the prospect of finding dry land by simply selling in the market may seem to hold considerable appeal. Judging by yesterday's share price performance—a 5p fail to 82{p—some holders have been doing just that

At that price the shares are

asset value is higher still at asset value is higher still at 105p and does give some suport to the view that even better offers could be in prospect.

Under the revised Harrison plan, Golden Hope shareholders are being offered a stake in Harrison Malaysian Estates the group created to control GH itself and "sisters" Pataling itself and "sisters" Pataling and London Asiatic. The Genting argument runs that the

current share prices of Pasaling and London Asiatic. Going through Pataling, after stripping out the value of spe-cial divideod, each HME share is thus worth 46p and through London Asiatic fractionally On this basis the 155

But this argument contains

The Harrison takeover/merger offer closes on Monday and shareholders should at least wait until then before taking action. If Harrisons wins the day early trade in HME may prove that the real value of the two proposals does not differ that significantly. If it fails, a stalemate is a

investment to DM 1,100m from

The first quarter of the curper cent from 2.8 per cent. New orders on the other hand

DM 5,100m on the strength of large contracts from Nigeria and Libya.
In judging Siemens perform-

ning of January. It will be many years before Kraftwerk Union's current order book of about DM 26,000m is translated into commensurate turnover and

Golden Hope The rival

13 p short of Genting's cash offer and a fair way above the theoretical value of Harrisons' offer on the basis of calcula tions suggested by the Genting camp. However, Golden Hope's net

value of the Harrison bid for GH can be found through the

for 100 shares offer for GH is worth only just over 71p.

two important weaknesses. First, under the Harrison plan GH shareholders' control will not be lost, only diluted. So it cannot be viewed simply as a

Second, on Harrisons' merger terms the net asset value for each old GB share rises to 121p making the offer from Genting
—as the only straightforward
bidder—look less than ade-

possibility, though in view of the determination already shown by both sides, share-holders could well achieve further benefits by holding on and letting the battle run a little The partnership deal, signed this week, which gives a 51 per cent stake in the Americanowned Kaiser Aluminum company to the Jamaican Government is intended to act as a model for the government's

other foreign-owned companies. Jameica's bargaining in eluminium and baux-Buc ite is much greater than in sugar and tourism, the country's other main revenue Next to Australia Jamaica is the world's biggest single sup-

olier of bauxite (from which

first nine mouths of 1976 it provided half of the United States' total requirements. Their Jamaican plants have great strategic importance for

the companies concerned. They are consequently more inclined to meet the present govern-ment's demands than indus-trialists who can more easily

Nationalization

fears In other fields multingtionals, some of which have

had their fingers badly burnt elsewhere in the Caribbean, remain highly suspicious of the policies of participation pro-pounded by Mr Michael Manley, Prime Minister and leader of the People's National Party, which was reelected in December for a further five-As a result some have pre-

ferred to sell their trading in-terests outright to the government rather than retain only

Fears of wholesale nationalization were made worse by the economic crisis measures amounced by Mr Manley two weeks ago. For, besides raising raxes (one of which pushed up the price of perrol to 1.98 Jamaican dollars, about £1.40, a gallon) and imposing foreign exchange and import controls, the measures included acquisite tion by the state of five priva-tely-owned companies.

The companies to be acquired are three foreign-owned commercial banks, a locally-owned cement factory and Radio Jamaica, owned by the Rediffusion group. Reliable sources in Jamaica say one of the banks to be taken over is statement has caused many foreign firms seriously to reconsider their future in amaica.

small businesses as well as among individuals in Jamaica's exchange has been illegally smuggled out since 1974. Just after December's elec-

tion, a devaluation scare caused the demand for Jamai-can dollars from the Bank of lamaica to rise from about IS1m a day to IS4.5m a day.

Besides coping with the general economic problem the Government is also trying to implement a large-scale social and business reform programme. Some Cabiner ministers privately admit that it has taken on more than it can handle.

In an exclusive interview with The Times last week, Mr Vivian Blake, Jamaica's recently appointed Minister of Industry and Commerce, said

discusses the island's economic prospects

Bauxite model of Jamaica's future

present political and economic climate has caused a flood of private funds to leave the country during the last two years. Mr Manley estimates that J\$300m worth of foreign archange has been illerally

The country is now suffering

from a massive balance of payments deficit sparked off by soaring oil prices. Fuel accounts for more than a fifth of the total import bill, as against about a tenth in 1973. In 1975 total imports amounted to J\$1,021m against export earnings of only \$J699m.

that the government "cannot afford the luxury of mis-Two vital requirements

entering a transitional stage with no reserves. To succeed, the country's two key require-ments are an injection of finance and improved manage-ment skills. Mr Blake agrees that much of the management in the public sector leaves much to be desired.

It is well aware that it is

Jamaica has to rely heavily on its bauxite industry for a solution to its difficulties. Last year its foreign exchange earn ings from bauxite amounted to J\$229m (or nearly a third of ing the most foreign exchange the industry also represents the largest single item of

After more than two years of tough bargaining Mr Manley's government now appears to have reached an acceptable balance with the private com-panies concerned in this field There is already large public sector involvement in Jamaica's other main foreign earners, sugar and

J\$500m of Jamaica's total 1975 export earnings of JS699m. Unfortunately, all three have suffered in the last year.

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thwarted by the general industrial slump in the United States and Europe, which depressed demand for alumin-ium. Earnings from sugar were hit by, among other things, devaluation of sterling and export earnings dropped from J\$140m in 1975 to only J\$62m last year. Tourists, particularly North Americans, who make up more than 70 per cent, stayed away and earnings there dropped from JS121m in 1975 to less than J\$110m in 1976.

to improve earnings from these fields. It is also keen to diversify into, and to strengthen, others both to improve foreign exchange earnings and to cut imports, particularly of food where it believes greater self sufficiency can be achieved. Also, new overseas markets for instance, nearby Cuba

The government's immediate

and other Comecon territories are being sought to lessen Jamaica's trade dependence on Jamaica recognizes that for this it needs external finance

and skills. Already some inter-

governmental semi-barter deals have been put in place to pro-A good example is the Javemex bauxite-alumina project jointly set up by the Jamaican government Mexico. The proposal is that the bauxite mined in Jamaica will be smelted in Mexico.

Studies are also taking place into the possibility of combin-Guyana with energy from oil-rich Trinidad. Arrangements red in the last year. have already been concluded for Jamaica to supply bauxite and alumina to Venezuela.

In the middle of this welter of public sector activity and given their suspicions about Mr Manley's democratic socialism any new private investors could be forgiven for minking that they would receive no welcome at all in Jamaica at present. In this, according to Mr Blake, they would be missished.

Scope for help from outside

He made it clear, however, that help from foreign-owned companies would be actively sought only in selected areas. such as agro-technology. Indiscriminate incentives, cheap labour, and arrangements whereby nearly all profits from Jamaican-based operations were repatriated were a thing of the past, he said firmly.

Private companies which have already established Jamaican operations appear to have little to fear once the latest government acquisitions have view, shared by Mr Blake, is that the next five years will see consolidation of existing holdings in the public sector rather than attempts to take on new ones. This is unless the state is forced into new takeovers by threats of closure.

Kenneth Owen, Technology Correspondent

From outer space to the ocean's depths The second one is a fully

To add "Offshore" to a company name in order to assert its presence in the offshore business has become an industrial cliché over the past few

suffix denotes simply a new market for existing products and services and for others it means new products and services arising from existing Among the technologies now being applied to offshore opera-

nions are those of aerospace and electronics and among the practitioners are Perranti Offshore Systems, Edinburgh, In particular, Ferranti is applying the technology of inertial navigation, as used in

to the needs (navigational and; otherwise) of offshore exploration and production. At the heart of an inertial navigation system is the "inertial platform", an assembly of gyroscopes and accelero-meters which sense the motion

of the craft in which they are installed with great precision. Three accelerometers, mounted at right angles to each other, measure the components of acceleration in those three

directions. By relating these measurements to time, it is possible to determine velocities and distances. Similarly, three mutually perpendicular gyroscopes can give angular accelerations, velocities

and orientations. Thus the gimbal-mounted cluster of gyros and accelero-meters senses the linear and rotational motion of the unit with respect to a fixed plane of

tions are computed.

and submersibles what they have already done for aircraft and space launchers—provide an accurate, self-contained system of navigation. For submersibles, in particular, the accuracy of distance measurement on the seabed is unapproached by any other method

But they can also provide a number of more specialized and nusual applications in the offshore environment. By adding a special electronics unit to take advantage of the full sensitivity of the basic inertial platform, a motion-sensing system capable of detecting movements as small as one-thousandth of an inch can be achieved. This was used on BP's Forties

C oil production platform to measure movement of the structure under various wind strengths and sea states and so check the assumptions and calculations used in the platform Under flat, calm conditions

the movement caused by vibra-tion proved to be 0.1 inch, increasing to two inches under storm conditions—well within the specification limits. Other similar applications in clude measurements during rig-towing, placing of modules on

jackets, pipeline monitoring and seabed inspection.

A specially packaged, battery-powered inertial unit has been developed for the accurate, three-dimensional surveying of drill holes. This is important when numbers of holes are being drilled from a single platform; if one hole inter-sected another the consequences Known as the casing surveyor,

this inertial unit fits into a reference (typically it will be 14in diameter cylinder. As this aligned North-south, East-west is lowered down the hole, and vertical). From this, measurements are recorded on velocities, distances and directions. measurements are recorded on magnetic tape for later analysis. Applied to offshore opera-movement of the surveyor is tions, inertial systems can stopped at regular intervals for

a zero-velocity check so that the "drift" of the gyros can be corrected. The casing surveyor was built

in collaboration with Shell Exploration and Production (Aberdeen) and has been used to survey the alignment of production wells from Brent and Piper platforms in the North Sea. With an accuracy measured in inches rather than the tens of feet of alternative (non-inertial)

methods, Ferranti's casing sur-

veyor is attracting great interest from all the leading oil and directional-survey companies. Another use for the inertial measuring unit is as a stationkeeping instrument for supply ships. Linked to a visual display panel, this would give the master of the supply ship, at a picture of his position relative

to where he wants to be. The panel would show two ship outlines, representing the actual load approaches and actual and desired positions, exceeds the rated load.

vessel was exactly on station. This use is not confined to principle can be used wherever

a vessel needs to remain in a

fixed position. This so-called "dynamic positioning", norm-ally served by acoustic measurements relating to a seabed reference, can be made much more precise, particularly near rigs and platforms, using inertial measurement. Ferranti's inertial units cost about £100,000, whatever the application. At about £10,000 and £60,000 two other systems

handle offshore loading tasks in a non-inertial way. The are designed to ease the job of the crane driver during loading and unloading operations, particularly in the driver an indication of loads and moments plus flashing and audible warnings if the

dynamic hoist-control system. This part-automates the lifting process so that the crane hook can follow the "heave" motions of the deck during load attachment. The hoist cable is maintained at constant tension prior to lift and the load is lifted rapidly at the peak of a

In these and other ways, Ferranti is applying the pre-cision of electronics, aerospace and computer technology to the offshore environment. At inertial units are shead of the rest of the world.

For the future, an extension of the company's work in prosystems into the control of likely. Here the challenge will be to ensure a very high level of reliability: the target is about five vears failures for the overall systems.

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which exceed those for the whole of the previous year.



Business Diary: Day takes a break • Western approaches

nines in Japan compared with he describes as a 36 million in the United States

follows the take market.
group last October Like 1 ol and saw manu-

hich already has in its stable, is management Kiddicraft. Day, m involved in the direction of Kid-1957, decided it Is a new financial centre grow-move on He said: ing up in London in the no-

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years I can look Security Pacific's reasons for he industry as a moving out of its present eigh up the possioffices in Leadenhall. Street are said. not un 54 and has made banks. dy of export mar-

the new president potentially good market for ish Toy Manufac Britain's toymakers, although lation, leaves for probably as tough a one to world toy fair at exploir as that in the United today with rather. States.

There are 8,800,000 underside in Januar compared with

tement he is end-and according to Japanese sta-tistics the potential annual of the Kiddi value of the market is well over £1,000m, more than three times the value of the British estair investment tish industry, Day expects most growth this year to come from increased exports. British factories last year turned out of and saw many. Like most others in the Britories last year turned out 2204m worth of toys, games and crafts, 34 per cent of

Fellow feeling

ve their ideas on man's land between should go so we on a friendly First, the giant Citibank concentrated its London operations lowed in 1975 by Chemical Bank, another United States

which went for export, which was a 14 per cent increase on

major. Now a further big American bank, Security Pacific National Bank of Los Angeles, plans to join them just round the corner in Arundel Street. Not long ago Arthur Andersen, the American accountants, also moved into the area.

not unlike those of the other First, it will give the bank ally in the Far the opportunity to bring its nuities Japan as a present Finch Street branch





"In deference to our worker director colleagues we will now take a brandy break of fifteen minutes.

under the same roof as its European, Middle East and Fish line African beadquarters. Secondly, There might at it will leave room to meet foresecable expansion requirements over the next few years. The present 140 staff will be

occupying only five of the six floors in the new 52,000 sq It building, leaving the sixth free for use later. Thirdly, despite the drop in prime City rents to about 512 per square foot, the Strand, a mile away, is significantly cheaper.

For Security Pacific the move will be the second in only two vious premises ran out.

years. It moved into the Leadenhall Street offices in March. 1975, when the lease on its pre-People who are tickled by the American penchant for playing

with words, might like to know

that a company in Oakland,

California, which traces lost

dogs is known as "Sherlock

Bones". And what about a

Washington DC delicatessen

which advertises that "Our

There might at first sight seem

nothing unusual about Birds Eye's launching of an Economy Fish Finger as a "lower-priced alternative to the firm's cod fish fingers". Cod prices have been pushed up by the drop in sterling and the aftermath of the dispute with Iceland, so that 10 pure fish fingers each weighing an ounce carry a recommended retail price of 47p, compared with 40p late last

But what the company did not mention in its celebrations to introduce the new "finger" is that it replaces a similar product described as an " Economy Fish Stick " available on supermarket freezer shelves since

Birds Eye admits ruefully that in Britain the name "Fish Stick" "just did not work". Although fish fingers are called "sticks" in their North American birthplace "finger" was used when the product was first launched in Britain more

than 20 years ago and has survived countless forecasts of marketing mortality.

Not so taxing

Those whose minds have the habit of shutting off when faced with the complexities of tax will not be surprised to learn that even company direc-tors and senior executives are often not exactly bowled over by its delights. To sugar the pill a little two tax consultants have devised a novel kind of

tax training session. Ernest Jones and Vera Di Palma, of Mobile Training and Exhibitions, are introducing two experimental tax-golf training programmes. Two days are spent swotting up corporate taxation red executive has a golf clinic and demonstration in the company of Tony Jacklin and Tommy Horton.

Not all directors play golf arranged for imbibers, Harveys providing the light relief. Arthur Negus, on antiques, and Percy Thrower, on gardening, may also take part in future programmes.

Language Society), which in the past has had an unhappy reputation for painting out non-Welsh signposts, has turned to more subtle methods to get its message across. It has successfully persuaded Woolworths to go bi-lingual in some of its branches. Talks are now taking place to see which stores should have bi-lingual counter

Cymdeithas Yr Iaith (the Welsh

Mr. John Wilkinson reports first half profits of £1.17m

INTERIM REPORT 1977

	26 weeks Oct. 1976 Unaudited	26 weeks Oct. 1975 Unaudited	52 weeks April 1976 Audited
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Turnover (excluding V.A.T.)	29,604	19,934	44,037
Trading profit	5,558	4,276	9,332
Add profit on exchange	·		12
Add investment income	8	- 44	62
Add interest received		43	56
Less depreciation	3,054	2,883	5,895
Less hire of fixed assets	855	756	1,427
Less interest paid	420	426	871
Less audit and directors	60	64	142
Profit before tax ·	1,177	234	1,127

The considerably improved interim results show profits for the first half year of 1976/77 to be in excess of the entire profit for 1975/76. An increased interim dividend of 0.55p per Ordinary and "A" (Non-Voting) Ordinary Share will be paid, on the 15th April, 1977 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 16th March, 1977.

These satisfactory results are mainly due to the combination of a broadening of the range of retail products and the partial easing of the higher rate of V.A.T.

Rental during the half-year has shown a satisfactory increase in turnover, whilst a substantial increase in retail turnover has enabled the Trident Discount operation to show reasonable profits throughout the period. The overseas subsidiaries increased turnover by 55%.

The Board anticipates that Group profits in the second half-year will exceed those of the first half-year.

3rd February, 1977.



Coutts & Co. announce that, for balances in their books on and after the 4th February, 1977, and until further notice their Base Rate for lending is 12½ % per annum. The Deposit Rate on all monies subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal is 9% per annum.

This advertisement is placed by N. M. Rothschild & Sons Limited on behalf of Genting Highlands Hotel Berhad. The Directors of Genting have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated and the opinions expressed herein are fair and accurate and jointly and severally accept responsibility accordingly.

To all Shareholders of

Golden Hope

Plantations Limited

Consider:

the basis of current market quotations* for London Asiatic and Pataling,

which have not been influenced by the Genting offer for Golden Hope, HME shares would only be worth approximately 44p. This means that the HME offer would value Golden Hope at a mere 69p per share. Compare this with 96p in cash, the highest price ever offered for Golden

Should you be uncertain about the relative values of the offers you should take into account that HME's offers for London Asiatic and

Pataling may well become unconditional next Monday and, in this event,

the HME shares will be listed on The Stock Exchange shortly thereafter and their true market value will become readily apparent. You may feel, therefore, that it is in your interest at least to wait and see if this occurs next week. The Genting offer does not close until 18th February at

Uncertainties of HME's second stage proposals The value of HME shares depends to a significant extent on the second stage proposals regarding emigration to Malaysia referred to in

the merger document. These proposals presumably involve another Scheme of Arrangement requiring not only the necessary approval of

shareholders but the subsequent approval of the High Court, as well as igreement of the appropriate authorities in the U.K. and Malaysia

and the obtaining of a listing on the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange. Only

then can U.K. resident shareholders obtain the benefit of the investment

currency premium, the value of which may, of course, be very different

from now. Your Board has made no attempt to estimate when such second

stage proposals can be effected nor indeed has it indicated whether such

proposals will again incorporate a cash option. In view of your Board's

comments on the Genting offer you may be disappointed that it has not indicated whether a higher cash option will be provided and, if so,

We feel that you should give due weight to the fact that the Genting offer is in cash now and HME has not chosen to give you a cash alternative. You are, therefore, being asked by the Golden Hope Board

The Golden Hope Board has commented at length on the capital gains tax aspects of the Genting cash offer, but capital gains tax always arises when one wants to sell shares. In our view it is totally wrong to

to take all the risks inherent in the future value of HME shares in

value an offer on a post-capital gains tax basis especially when one has taken, as has the Board of Golden Hope, an example calculated to show

a particularly high tax liability, based as it is on the position of a shareholder of twelve years' standing incurring the maximum possible tax.

DO NOT BE RUSHED INTO A PRECIPITOUS

DECISION, THE GENTING OFFER DOES NOT

CLOSE UNTIL 18th FEBRUARY

The notional price for HME shares calculated in paragraph 1 above is based on the middle market quotations of London Asiatic and Pataling, as shown in The Stock Exchange Daily Official List on 2nd February, 1977, adjusted for the special dividends referred to in the merger document.

Barclays Bank

Base Rate.

Barclays Bank International Limited

announce that with effect from the close

of business on 4th February, 1977, their

Base Rate will be decreased from 13% to

12½% per annum. The basic interest rate for deposits will be decreased by ½% from 9½%

to 9% per annum.

Reg. Office: 54 Lombard Street, EC3P 3AH

Reg. No's 48339 and 1026:67.

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Barclays Bank Limited and

whether it will be as restricted as the last one.

preference to the certainty of the Genting offer.

3. Cash is cash

Your Board has still declined to place any value on HME shares. On

1. Relative values of the offers

FINANCIAL NEWS

Pratt down but worst avoided

As it expected, F. Pratt Engineering Corporation did not do as well in the year to October 31 as in the year before. Turn-over slipped from £14.95m to £14.72m, and pre-tax profits fell from a record £1.34m to £1m.

However, the board reports that profits are rather better than expected at half time, especially as there has not been a general upturn in activity. Shareholders get a total gross dividend of 6.63p, against 6.02p.

The board warns shareholders, however, that a return to a "more acceptable level of activity" in all divisions is not expected until later in 1977.

Assoc Fish in £4m turnround to £1.9m

Associated Fisheries has managed a £4m turn-round. From 1975's 12m loss to pre-tax profits of £1.9m was the story for the year to September 30 last. Turnover increased by 12 per cent over the two years, to £86.7m.

The board is recommending 1976 dividends of 1.9p gross. In view of the generally improved trading outlook AF says that "It is the intention of the board to restore gross annual dividends to the 1973-74 peak level of 5.4p a share on the earliest practical occasion." But the shares, long anticipating a profits recovery, fell 2p to 47p on the results. Mr P. Tapscott, chairman, report that the fish-ing and on-shore businesses contributed equally to the re-covery. Now that Britain's 200 mile fishing limit is in force, and assuming negotiations for EEC and bilateral fishing agret-ments are successful, he sees AF improving on 1976's result this year.

Carr's against WCF deal

After a meeting between the board of Carr's Milling Industries, and West Cumberland Farmers, the directors of Carr's are "firmly of the view" that an acquisition of Carr's by WCF would not be in the best interests of customers, employ-ees or shareholders. If such a bid were made, the board

would resist.

A week ago, West Cumberland Farmers said that it had made an approach to Carr's which "might or might not" lead to an offer of 45p a share. It would have valued Carr's at the control of 52m. The statement was prompted by rises in the shares.

Carr advises shareholders to do nothing. If an offer is made, the board will get in touch with shareholders.

Peak figures and scrip from Hill & Smith

Since it went public early in 1969 Hill & Swift has never once looked back. Yet again it reports record profits, and a scrip issue. In the year to Sept 30, turnover expanded from £8.94m to £10.9m, and pre-tax profits rose from pre-tax profits rose from 5763,000 to £832,000. The latest scrip issue is of one for 10.

The gross payment rises from 3.07p (adjusted) to 3.32p.

The board reports that the

current year has started with vet higher sales. Public spending has been curtailed but Hill sees no reason to expect any in-terruption in "our enviable record". Hill is a steel stock-holder, engineer, forger, hirer of plant and maker of road safety barriers.

Record breaker Benn

is keeping it up best-ever figures for 1975-76, Benn Brothers now seems to be

going one better. Turnover rose 13.5 per cent to £3.41m and more important, in the half-year to December 31, and, more important, pre-tax profits climbed 70.3 per cent to £404,700. In the year to June 30 last, profits more than doubled to a record £555,000. Mr Richard Woolley, chairman, tells shareholders that the imperus behind the previous year's drive continued into the first six months of this year. The gross interim goes up from 0.76p to 1.07p, but only to

spread payments more evenly: Benn Brothers publishes trade journals and directories. Two new journals are being launched in the second half-year LP Gas Review and Engineering Distri-butors Journal.

Sprinter Whatlings tidies its capital

An 80 per cent rise to £376,000 in pre-tax profits in the second half year to September 30 took Whatlings, the civil engineering and building contracting group up 9 per cent to a record £464,000 in the full year. Turnover jumped from £16.3m to £20.6m. Earnings a share were 1.87p against 0.95p and the dividend rises from 0.67p gross to 0.87p.

The board points out that the results and dividends are in lin with the forecast with the recent successful rights issue. The issue and bigger profits have already improved liquidity. Borrowings have gone.

After a proposed scrip issue and capital reorganization,

and capital reorganization, every four 5p shares in issue would become one 25p share.

Prop Security losses In the half-year to September

30, 1976, the gross rents of Property Security Investment Trust grew from £1.3m to £1.45m.

Net property and investment income (after administration expenses) went up from £1.11m to £1.21m. After lower interest and minorities, the loss (before dealing and extraordinary items) fell from £309,000 to items) f £195,000.

Some investment properties were sold at a profit in the half-year and this will result in an overall surplus on revenue account in the full year. The gross interim dividend is 0.7p

Dartmouth-H. Miller

The board of Dartmouth Investments says that accept ances of its offer for H. Miller investments have been received in respect of 92.68 per cent of the equity.

Dartmouth held no shares in Miller before the offer and did not acquire or agree to acquire any during the course of it. The offer has accordingly become unconditional.

Hill Samuel

Hill Samuel & Co Limited announce that with effect from Friday, February 4th, 1977, their Base Rate for lending will be decreased from 13 per cent to 121 per cent per annum.

Interest payable under the Bank's Demand Deposit Scheme on sums of \$500 up to \$100,000 will be at the rate of 101 per cent per annum. Interest rates for larger amounts will be quoted on application.

Hill Samuel & Co.Limited ≤ 100 Wood Street London EC2P 2AJ Telephone: 01-628 S011



Lloyds Bank **Base Rate**

Lloyds Bank announces that with effect from Friday, February 4th, 1977, its Base Rate for lending is reduced to 12½%.

The rate of interest on 7-day notice Deposit accounts and Savings Bank accounts will be 9%, a decrease of ½ %.



The Royal Bank of Scotland INTEREST RATES

The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited announces that with effect from 4th February, 1977, its Base Rate for lending is being reduced from 13% per annum to 12½% per annum.

The maximum rate of interest allowed on Deposits lodged for a minimum period of seven days or subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal at the London Offices of the Bank will be reduced to 9% per annum.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited, Head Office, PO.Box 31, 42 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 2YE.



Rate changes

National Westminster Bank announces that for balances in its books as from and including Friday, 4th February, 1977 its Base Rate for lending is reduced from 13% to 121% per annum and its Deposit Rate on all amounts lodged, subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal, is 9% per annu Savings Accounts will now attract interest at 9% per annum All other rates remain unchanged

CASTLEFIELD (KLANG) RUBBER ESTATE

MR. ADDINSELL'S STATEMENT

The 70th Annual General Meeting of Castlefield (Klang) Rubber Estate Limited was held on February 3 in London, Mr J. ADDINSELL, the Chairman, presiding.

The following is an extract from his circulated statement: The year ended 30th June 1976 provided the anticipated increases in both rubber and oil palm fruit crops. In the case of rubber the lifting of the ban on stimulants compensated for the effects of the severe deputite conditions awaring compensated for the effects of the severe drought conditions experienced in Malaysia during the second half of the financial year and at 2,499 tonnes the 1975,76 crop was 9 per cent better than that of the previous year. The effects of drought on oil palm fruit crops is less immediate and may not be experienced until next year. During the period reviewed we saw the tonnage of fruit harvested increase by 25 per cent to 7,397 tonnes. In sterling terms the average price received for our rubber increased to 29,22p from 20,75p per kilo and this more than compensated for an increase in isated for an increase in cost of production of some 8 per cent to 17.29p per kilo. Prices for palm products were lower on

average than those of it year, reducing our ; tonne of fruit from £13, per tonne. A further fa taken into account in the year's results is the effect of the substantial value of sterling at Malaysian ringgit.
The profit before tax investment income, was compared with 5370,623 75. Taxation, including for advance corporatio lated to the year's distribution, requires fil-recommended final divi distribution of 2,2 ; share for the year.

The company's a policy remains unchan decision to layest in on Bukit Benut estate h well justified and by 198 oil mill, for which exare now in hand, sho commission. Presseers

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Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd.

武田薬品工業株式会

Since the Japanese recession reached its lowest point one year ago the economy has gradually improved. However, we cannot expect the same high rate of growth as we have experienced in the past and the current trend is toward a modest growth accompanied by continuing adverse factors both at home and abroad.

During the first half of our fiscal 1276 period (April-September), it has been difficult to find positive indications of business recovery. Consumer spending and private capital investment continued to show a downtrend reflecting uncertainty in the future. The period ended without appreciable

reflecting uncertainty in the future. The period ended without appreciable recovery from the recession.

Although a slight recovery in demand was experienced in our various lines of business, we are still facing adverse economic conditions due to keeper

of business, we are still facing adverse economic conditions due to keener competition and constantly increasing costs.

However, our Pharmaceutical Products Division and other business Divisions did their best to overcome the current market situation and have succeeded in maintaining profits at considerably better levels than the comparable period for 1975.

During the period April-September, 1976, sales of the Company amounted to ¥151,589 million (\$530,031 thousand), showing an increase of ¥15,172 million (\$53,048 thousand) over the same period in 1975. Net earnings showed an increase of ¥430 million (\$1,504 thousand) and totalled ¥5,379 million (\$18,808 thousand).

The following is a summary of the performance and major factors affecting each of our business Divisions.

Pharmacenticals:
Pharmacenticals:
Pharmacentical production in Japan recorded a substantial increase of 18.8°, in the first half of 1976 (April-September). The Company's sales of pharmacenticals were #86.995 million (\$302,780 thousand) or a 16.3°, increase over the same period in 1975. Sales of proprietary products remained at the same level, but sales of ethical pharmacenticals for the medical profession rose steadily with antibiotic preparations such as "Lilacilling," and "Vastcilling," and "Dasen &", an anti-inflammatory enzyme, predominant, thus contributing to the increase in net profits of the Company. Price reductions, which had been prevalent for the past few years as a result of excessive competition are no longer so commonplace.

Foods:
Sales of our Food Products Division were ¥28,293 million (\$98,926 thousand) or 5.3% below the same period in 1975. Sales of food seasonings failed to sustain their past rate of increase. We were not able to achieve our expected results because of high cost of raw materials. In order to secure a stable source of supply of ribonucleic acid, the basic raw material for "Ribotide A", we established an affiliated company in the Philippines in a joint investment with three other companies in July, 1975, to produce ribonucleic acid. The plant is now under construction and is expected to start production in January, 1977. Sales of beverages decreased due to an unusually cool summer and keen sales competition. Fortunately, sales of other food additives and keen sales competition. Fortunately, sales of other food additives continued to be satisfactory.

Industrial Chemicals:
Sales of our Industrial Chemicals Division were T17,162 million thousand) or 23.4% over the same period in 1975. The Japanese industry, which suffered a sharp deterioration in production and to the recession, has been recovering in parallel with the recover world economy. Production and sales have gradually been return normal. These factors contributed to the increase of sales of polyresins, latex and other products.

Agricultural Chemicals and Animal Health Products:
Total sales for these Divisions were 718,509 million (564,717 tor a 30.1% increase over the same period in 1975. As for agricultur cals, excess market stocks have nearly been exhausted and sales twell. Sales of animal health products have also increased, pa antibiotic preparations. These results have been further suppor stabilization of the prices of compound feed and livestock products we established Konjama Chemical Co., Ltd. in March, 1975, il joint investment with two other companies in order to manufactur pesticide formulations such as "Avirosan@" and "Wider@". The 1 completed in October. 1976, and will start full scale operation yet completed in October, 1976, and will start full scale operation we

Overseas Activities:
During the period under review, the demand for fine chemicals Vitamin B₁ and Vitamin C has increased reflecting the fact th stocks held by consumers have been reduced to normal levels, and pr has improved correspondingly.

Exports recovered to TE.451 million (\$29,549 thousand), a 45.4°; over the same period in 1975.

On the other hand, our subsidiaries abroad have generally contracted excitations.

Capital Investment:
No new large capital investments were made during the period. Ho have continued the construction of facilities for fermentation research drug safety research in the Osaka plant and of the distribution centre in landdition the renovation of pharmaceutical processing equipme Osaka and Shonan plants was started during the period.

We have established sound and effective financing policies such as the terms of accounts receivable and reducing stocks of raw matfinished goods and as a result we have been able to minimize the outside financing.

The continuing fluctuations in the levels of business and the poss renewed inflation continue to be of serious concern and the mar expects to have to cope with a difficult business environment in thalf of our fiscal year. However, we are prepared to concentrate o

half of our fiscal year. However, we are prepared to concentrate of mum effort in the research and development of new products, the fication of our overseas activities and to the strengthening of the rour enterprise and the soundness of its financing. We take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude for your p and sincerely hope that your kind understanding and assistance extended to us in the future.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1976

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nvestments and advances current assets Less: Current liabilities other assets	36,516 204,572 102,709 101,863 15,658 210,613	40.108 214,947 108,460 106,487 17,647 220,728	Net sales Operating profit Interest, dividends and other income less interest and other expenses	136,417 9,809 1,056 10,875
Less: Retirement and severance benefits — Long-term debt	38,042 24,432 62,474 148,139	41,145 27,104 68,249 152,479	Provision for income taxes Net earnings	5,926 4,949 148,139

The interim dividends for the year ending 31st March, 1977, of ¥3.75 per share amounting

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NO MARKET REPORTS

West k markets Bank markets about turn on profit-taking Rate chair institutions hold firm

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oundries rose 11p to re the historic price-ratio is 6 and the yield ere a useful 35 per to £916,000, and last It looks as if profits or ending this March head from £1.4m to 1 £1.7m. If so, the drop to less than 5, yield on a maximum will be 10.7 per cent, well over three times.

RUBBIN new measure will stay nd its likely success ıg about a gradual by their high yields, gilts, £1 better in ng, ended with gains

one-quarter and After faling to ight levels after the nouncement Shorts dier and were left of three-quarters,
the "blue chips"
hold on to most of

ly gains, notably ip 6p to 440p and to 340p. But mos rises reversed wit wn 2p to 265p p to 418p and IC

background o eductions, the clea were calm with 0p, National West 30p and Midland t 2p apiece an inchanged at 260; kroyd & Smithers establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54. * Adjusted for scrip.

Dairies and one of 5p to 157p for Kwik Save. But Sainsbury was not helped, losing 3p to 146p, but supermarket group Hillards spurted 6p to 132p. Comment on mail orders helped Freemans to go ahead 6p to 168p and there was some investment demand for S. & W. Berisford 3p to 168p and BSR 2p to 112p.

Waiting for good news on its waiting for good news on its North Sea interest, P & O held on to a 5p rise at 135p with Ocean 6p to 153p also in demand. But Furness Withy gave ground on profit-taking and ended 5p off at 230p. The best performer of a generally lower oils sector was Sishers. lower oils sector was Siebens Oil & Gas which, after a mention here, closed 20p better at

Others succumbed to profit-taking with BP losing 14p to 922p, Shell 8p to 614p, Burmah 2p to 73p and Tricentrol 4p to 124p.

After denying an approach, Premier Consolidated Oil eased a penny to 13p. There was con-tinued interest in the insurance sector, especially the brokers, where CE Heath gained 17p to 460p, Hogg Robinson 16p to 139p, Sedgwick Forbes 4p to 240p, Stemhouse 4p to 100p, Willis Faber & Dumas 3p to 213p, and after a land sale 213p and, after a land sale, Matthews Wrightson which ended 4p higher at 206p. The composites, too, had

The composites, too, find their bright spots, notably Phoenix 80 to 210p, Pearl 4p to 210p, Equity & Law 4p to 134p and Guardian Royal Exchange 3p to 200p.
Another bid from CH Industrials boosted Beaver 10p ro 48p, while Lamson jumped 21p to 84p on the minority approach

Latest dividends

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ig ig	Company	Ord	Year	Pay	Year's	Prev	
	(and par value)	div	a 20	date	total	year	
șt	A. C. Cars (5p) Fin	0.6	0.6	4/4	0.95	0.88	
h	Assoc Fisheries (25p)	1.25	0.16	1/4	1.25	0.16	
р,	Benn Bros 25p) Int	0.7	0.5	7/4		1.89	
Ϊ	Gough Cooper (20p) Fin	3,25	3.25		5.Z	5.2	
	Hill & Smith (25p) Fin	1.4	1.3*	_	2.15	2*	
ο£	Kinta Kellas Rbr (10p) Int	0.53	0.48	1/4	_	1.57	
Γ-	Ladies Pride (20p) Fin	1.66	1.52*	<u> </u>	2.49	2.26*	
	Malaysia Rbr Int	0.19	0.17	1/4	_	_	
h t-	F. Pratt (25p) Fin	2.87	2.61	7/4	4.3	3.96	
	Prop Secs (50p) Int	0.45	0.45	4/4		1.68	
ıd	Syltone (25p) Int	1.4	1.05	25/3	_	4.2	
ıd	Whatlings (5p) Fin	0.37	0.27		0.57	0.44	
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STENBURG PLATINUM HOLDINGS

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(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

company regrets that in the Raview by the Chairman in this newspaper on Thursday, 3rd February, under ling "Outlook" the possible dividend payments for ent financial year were compared to those of 1975wording should have read "Consequently, the total payments for the present financial year could be same as or less than those of 1976".

Leaderflush concern'at deal litigation

In a statement yesterday the directors of Leaderflush expressed concern about the litiover an alleged breach of contract to buy 399,000 shares in Leaderflush at 17p a share.

The directors of Leaderflush told Mr Gilardi that his actions were detrimental to the com-pany. They asked for his immediate resignation and this has now been obtained and

sation between Mr P. P. Gilardi and Mannin Investment Trust

The board says that it is tak-ing steps to ascertain on behalf of all shareholders whether any breach of the takeover code has occurred.

Telefusion rebounds with 403pc jump

A big rally at Blackpool-based Telefusion hoisted pre-tax profits for the six months to October 31 by 403 per cent to £1.17m. This is already higher than the total £1.12m made over the whole of 1975-76. After its denial, Woodhouse but not as high as some had & Rixson ended 8p lower at expected.

Even so, the jump shows what happens when VAT is raised sharply at the outset of a finan-44p. Still buoyed by takeover talk, Burton "A" firmed a penny to 57p with House of Fraser another firm store at 82p. But cial year, in this case 1975-76, and then slashed.

The board of this television Marks & Spencer came off 3p Among engineers, Tube Investments went against the leaders trend with a rise of 6p

and radio group, which owns the Trident Discount operation, says that it expects to do even better in the second half year. However the group has some to go to top the record f3.5m achieved in 1973-74.

Turnover for the half year went up from £19.9m to £29.6m.

buyer seeking 10,000 shares

in a thin market stimulated speculative interest in Desoutter

Brothers. The shares closed 7p better at 134p. Since Comp-

Air withdrew its contested offer almost three months ago,

some have felt the Desoutter

family would respond to the

right terms, but not necessarily

retreat, in particular IC Boldings 9p to 192p and EMI 5p to

228p. In paper shares Reed was down 8p to 220p

Company statements had Associated Fisheries 2p off at

47p, Gough Cooper down 6p to 49p after reduced profits, but

there were rises for Ladies Pride 2p to 45p and Hill & Smith which touched 43p.

Before news of terms from Associated Engineering, Serck

were 2p better at 60p, while both Maurice James and York

Trust hardened after merger

were Shell, P & O, BP, Burmah, ICI, Reed, BAT Ind, Ocean Transport, Commercial Union, Rank, Lonrho, John Brown, BAT Dfd, Beecham, Grand

Metropolitan, GEC, Land Securities, MEPC, United Biscuits, Siebens Oil, and Stone Plant.

from the same quarter.

Mr John Wilkinson, chair-man, points to a wider range of retail products as well as the VAT cut.

Moreover, the overseas com-panies increased their turnover by 55 per cent.

Mr Clinton Davis on 1976 Companies Act

to 348p, and among the second-liners, Stone-Platt firmed 7p to 107p and Dowty, with figures soon, 4p to 114p. Electricals were generally in Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Companies, Avia-tion and Shipping, has outlined the timetable for implementing the main provisions of the Companies Act, 1976. Answering a parliamentary question from Mr Brian Sedgemore (Luton, West) Mr Clinton Davis said: "Apart from section 33 (contents of prospectus), which was brought into operation on January 24, it is the intention to bring the following provisions of the Act into operation on talks news.
Equity turnover on February 2
was £94.98m (19,115 bargains),
Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph,

of the Act into operation on the dates indicated below.

Sections 1 to 11 (Duty to prepare, lay and deliver accounts by reference to accounting reference periods) 1 October 1977, apart from Sections 2(1) and 10(1) and (2) which will be brought into operation on March 1 1977. Section 12 (Accounting records)—1 October 1977. Sections 13 to 20 (Auditors)—18 April 1977. Sections 21 to 23 (Returns as to Directors and Registered Office)—18 April. Sections 24 to 27 (Notification of interests in shares)—19 April 1977. Sections 28 and 29 (Disqualification Orders)—1 June 1977. Sections 30 to 32 (Welsh and Overseas Companies)—18 April 1977. Sections 34 to 37 (Forms, fees, etc.)—18 April 1977. Sections 38 (part), 39 and 41 (Functions of Registrar, criminal recordalizes.

(Functions of Registrar, criminal proceedings, unregistered com-panies)—18 April 1977. Sections



Mr John N. Wilkinson, chairman of Telefusion: lower VAT and broader product range boosted

42 and 43 (Amendments, repeals, expenses)—As necessary.

"Commencement orders and orders prescribing forms and other matters will be made and published at the appropriate

"There are already in force a number of prescribed forms orders, made under the Companies Acts; when the present Act has been implemented. I propose to review all the forms
in use, with a view to
recoacting them in one consolidating measure, thus easing
the burden on all those who use
the forms.

"In prescribing the forms for use under this Act, and in the subsequent review, I will of course seek the views of the Companies Registration Office

N Sea shadow over Newarthill lifts

Last August, the directors of Newarthill, when reporting the results for the half-year to April 30, 1976, said that negotiations with the oil companies in relation to the three loss-making North Sea concrete platform contracts were proceeding steadily, but that no agreement had been reached on various financial aspects of the con-

"Notable progress" has now been made in negotiations on all three contracts and, while agreements have not vet been completed, the directors are satisfied that, far from any fur-

ther losses arising on these contracts, there will be a substantial recovery against the losses already suffered, although at this stage it is not practicable to quantify the amounts involved.

Margins dip at Ladies Pride

Margins fell from 17.9 cent to 17.2 per cent at Ladies Pride Outerwear. Sales for the year to November 30 rose from £4.29m to £4.67m, and pre-tax profits moved by 5 per cent to £808,000. Earnings a share were 9.85p against 9.63p adjus-

ted.
The board proposes a onefor-five scrip issue, and a dividend of 3.83p gross against

3.480. Mr F. A. Robson, chairman, says that sales and production for the spring are at record levels. The growth is coming entirely from exports to 20

M. James talking with York Trust

The boards of Maurice James Holdings and York Trust are discussing a proposed merger. Shareholders are advised to await further announcements. These are promised "very shortly".

Maurice James is a £1.1m road haulage, waste disposal, packaging and storage group, while York, capitalized at £523,000, is in general engineer-

ing, and repairs and maintains railway rolling stock.

Shares in both companies were firmer on the news.

BCA-Nationwide

British Car Auction Group has bought 1.15m shares or 18.3 per cent in Nationwide Leisure for 384,000 shares of BCA.
The basis of the acquisition —one BCA share for every three Nationwide—is in accordance with the terms of BCA's current bid for Nationwide.

Adia—Alfred Marks

The offer on behalf of Adia Interim SA for Alfred Marks Bureau has been accepted by holders of 2.61m shares, 92.21 per cent. As already announced, the offer is unconditional and the balance will be acquired

Mid East mishap and homes foil Gough C

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By Adrienne Gleeson

Profits from housing estates developer Gough Cooper plunged again in the year to September 30; but the directors are holding the dividend. They recommend a final of 5p a share gross, even though this means dipping into reserves.

Pre-tax profits retreated from £1.54m to £858,000. This was thanks largely to a big setback in housebuilding, where a drop in completions from 860 to around 600 and a 100,000-plus write-off on abortive attempts to obtain a Middle East con-

They pushed the contribution at the trading level down from

£1.27m to £406.000. In addition pre-tax profits were clipped by an exceptional £168,000 land write-off and a debit of £227,000 (against £111,000) on the company's share of the losses of an associate. The investment in the associate—a property developer in Belsium
has been disposed of since
the year-end. But this meant
further write-offs of £335,000,
taken below the line.

The company expects its house completions to rise to around 1,500 this year, and profits on property investment (up from £283,000 to £421,000 last year thanks to new lettings) are also likely to rise, though not by as much.

C H Indust bid for Beaver

Announcing a fresh attempt to gain Beaver Group, the paints and building products group, CH Industrials is going to CH, with the purchase of a appeal direct to shareholders. The terms of its cash-andshares offer value each Beaver at 47p (and a total of £1.2m). Beaver's shares rose 10p to 48p. But the proposed bid will not

be plain sailing.

to follow.

CH, with the purchase of a further 50,000 Beaver yesterday, now owns about 625,000 ordinary shares, about 11.1 per cent of the equity. It forecasts pre-tax profits for the year to March 31 of at least £525,000. The terms of the offer are one A spokesman for Beaver said CH ordinary plus 18p cash for the offer was "not welcomed". each Beaver share.

Standard Chartered

announce that with effect from the close of business on 3rd February, 1977,

the following annual rates will apply

Base rate $\dots 12\frac{1}{2}\%$ Deposit rate9%

Standard Chartered
Bank Limited

Briefly

ELANDSRAND

Elandsrand gold nine will now come into production approximately one year ahead of schedule by the beginning of 1980. Improved sinking methods and the earlier establishment of ore reserves by the development from Western Deep Levels, said the technical advisers in a report accompanying the rights offer documents, take the credit. The revised estimated expenditure required to bring Elandsrand into production by the beginning of 1980—given in 1975 money terms for comparison with the prospectus figures—is R18.3m, which is R11.3m higher than forecast. **ELANDSRAND**

WALTER LAWRENCE Walter Lawrence has bought, as from October 1, 1976, Nico Manufacturing, a sub of LK Industrial Investments, for Industrial £150,000 cash.

Pre-tax profits up from £145,000 to £199,000 in year to September 30. Gross payment up from 1.35p to 1.46p.

JOKAI-LONGBOURNE
Longbourne Holdings has
bought further 117,000 ord and
11,000 pref in Jokai Tea Holdings, making 435,500 (20.72 per
cent) ord shares and 11,000 (7.33

per cent) preference. THIRD MILE INVEST
Third Mile Investment informed by Mr J. E. Ladeveze (a director) that Miss B. B. Linder, whom he represents, has bought a further 50,000 shares in Third Mile and now owns 650,000 shares (27.08 per cent).

SYLTONE

Turnover up from £2.43m to £3.35m, and pre-tax profits rose from £142,000 to £256,000 in half-year to September 30. Gross interim up from 1.61p to 2.15p.

BRASCAN

Board says that there have been no developments regarding possibility of an offer from a private group of investors which had been reported last December.

Nicholson Investments now holds 70.64 per cent in Isle of Man Enterprises. Holding of all direc-tors and interests now 72.38 per

ESPERANZA TRADE
Rothschild Investment Trust has bought a further 30,117 ord in Esperanza Trade and Transport. It now holds 1.91m shares and Guinness Peat has increased its holding by 37,836 shares to 2.4m shares. This represents 16.6 per cent and 20.9 per cent respectively.

SEKONG RUBBER Proceeds of sale of Sekong Estate have now been received in London. After expenses and probable tax, about £190,000 will have been received from the sale.

BONAS WEBB Turnover for period January 1, 1976, to July 9, 1976, £1.29m (£1.12m). Fre-tax profits, £23,000 (£33,000).

TANJONG TIN DREDGING TANJONG TIN DREDGING
Preliminary estimate for 1976,
profit from mine, after depreciation and expenditure in United
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contributions, £26,000 (ult).

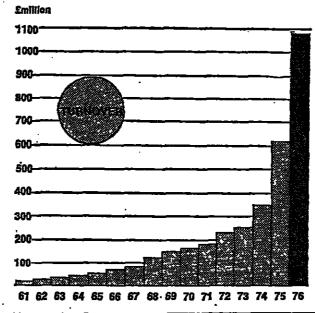
IDRIS HYDRAULIC TIN Last year's profit from mine, after depreciation and expenditure in United Kingdom £264,500 (ægainst £315,000 in 1975) interest and dividends received, £49,000 (£49,000), dividends on fourth buffer stock contributions, £25,500 (mil)

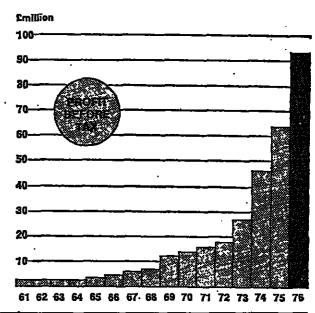
APPOINTMENTS

Mr Hubert Hunt has been elected president of Texas Pacific Oil Company (UK).

eng & New York Trust Income for 1976 up from £1.59m to £1.73m. Gross payment rises from 2,92p to 3,31p.

Year after year





Year at a glance

	1976	1975
Turnover	£1083m	£606m
Profit before Taxation	£93.4m	£63.3m
Extraordinary profit	£10.4m	£5.4m
Funds employed	£396.8m	£278.6m
Profits attributable to Lonrho Shareholders	£44. im	£27.4m
Dividends per share	4.963p	3.102p
Capital expenditure	£34.5m	£31.3m
Net assets per share	£1.43	£1.22
Earnings per share	23.14p	19.07p
Countries	59	43
Group companies	620	600
Employees	110,000	100,000
Shareholders	60,000	47,000

The sixty-eighth Annual General Meeting of Lonrho Limited will be held at the Great Room, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London, W.1. on Tuesday, 1 March, 1977, et 12 noon.

Lonrho Limited, 138 Cheapside, London EC2V 6BL

he Winterbottom Trust Ltd.

ummary of Results for year to 30th November	1976	1975
otal Net Assets at Market Valuerdinary Shares:	£13,280,000	£12,297,106
Asset Value Earnings Dividend	216.0p 3.75p 3.75p	202.3p 3.75p 3.50p
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puities: United Kingdom United States Japan Europe Australia Other Countries stal Equities xed Interest Stocks posits and Current Assets	% 28.3 38.8 7.9 1.5 3.6 4.7 84.8 9.5 5.7	32.0 36.5 6.5 2.0 3.9 4.4 85.3 5.4 9.3

umary of Statement by the Chairman, S. A. Field

An increase in the total dividend n 3.50p to 3.75p is recommended. nings per share are expected to show atisfactory increase in the current

he increase of 7% in the asset value share from 202.3p to 216.0p was ibutable to overseas investments. ing the same period the F.T. All-re Index fell by 15% and the F.T. ernment Securities Index fell by 1%.

The British economy is passing nigh a dismal period and meaningful wery is unlikely to appear until th Sea oil begins to flow in large ntities in two or three years. We inue to believe that America is ently the most attractive country

equity investment. he Trust's general investment policy always been to achieve both eased earnings and capital reciation without undue emphasis either. In recent years it has been

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considered appropriate, with a view to maintaining or enhancing real capital value, to have a substantial proportion of the Trust's funds invested abroad, even though this has hindered the growth of revenue. We are nevertheless conscious of the importance to share-holders of revenue and dividend growth and hope that future circumstances will permit this damaging capital prospects.

During the past year or so, investment trust companies have attracted critical attention because of the large discounts in relation to asset values at which they have been quoted. The prices of investment trust company shares as of everything in which there is a germine market, reflect the balance of demand and supply. Recently, supply has exceeded demand.

Discounts have however narrowed somewhat since their peaks in October and may continue to do so as the merits of well-managed investment trust companies are appreciated anew.

Copies of the Annual Report may be obtained from Baillie, Gifford & Co.

3 Glenfinlas Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6YY.

MARKET REPORTS

Tin leads prices advance on LME

A strong advance in tin prices helped to lift all metal prices on the London Metal Exchange yesterday. The tin movement was touched off by a SM54 rise in the Penang price to \$M1,491, which took it \$M166 above the International Tin Agreement ceiling.
The Penang rise was attributed

The Penang rise was attributed to fresh support buying, particularly from the United States, following a reappraisal of the outlook for United States stockpile releases which are now regarded as unlikely to influence sentiment for the time being.

In early dealings yesterday three months standard reached a record high of £6,005 per tonne before settling back to £5,962.50. At the afternoon close standard cash was £135 up on the day at £5,890 and three months had gained £140 to £5,952.50.

Copper was helped by overnight gains in New York futures as well as local and Continental demand. Cash wire bars gained £15.75 on Cash wire bars gained £15.75 on the day and three months was £6 up. Gains in copper and tin

Bank Base Rates

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First London Secs 121%
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Lloyds Bank 121%
Midland Bank 121%
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Rossminster Acc's 12! %
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Williams & Glyn's 121%
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This announcement does not constithis amountement operation of the an older to pyrchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell amount of the Debentures below All offers will be made in resonant to specific inclutes received by the Company as described below

MDS CAPITAL CORPORATION 53 Rue Ducale B 1,000 Erussels

Belgium Telephone No (02) 513 45 43

Telephone No (02) 513 45 43

LDS Capital Corporation hereby announces that it intends to purchase limited amounts of its outstanding 5; 5. Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 1989 in private transactions at negotiated rates, based on prevaiting market conditions from time to time. Such Debentures, which are guaranteed by Kohawk Data Sciences Corp., are listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and are issued in bearer form. There is no specific price which are offered to the Company, and the Company is not obligated to accept any or all Debentures offered to it.

Interested parties may contact MDS Capital Corporation at the above address (attention Mr. N. E. Lindgren) or may contact the parent Company in the United States, Mohawk Data Sciences Corp., 1599 Littleton Road, Parsippany, New Jersey, telephone no. (201) 540-9080, attantion, R. Walson Bell, Secior Vice-President—Finance.

Any proposal made by the Company made in response to an offer to sell the Debertures may be withdrawn at any time prior to acceptance and this repurchase programme may be discontinued at any time.

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London Grain Fatures Market

(Galfa): EEC origin.—Barley was

steady at the lower levels: March, 243, 70; May, 286, 50; Sept. 288, 80;

Nov. 201, 55; Jan, 294, 80, Sales; 174

loss, WHEAT was steady at the lower levels: March, 288, 55; May, 290, 80;

Sept. 24, 15; Nov. 255; Jan, 298, 10;

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Rome-orium Cercal Authority's local money control of the control influenced lead and zinc and silver also followed the trend.

COPPER.—Alternoon.—Cash wire bars, 2830-361 a metric ton; three months, 2830-361 a metric ton; three months, 2830-361 and 2810-56100. Salos, 7.400 tons. Cash cithodes, 2825-25-50. three months, 2830-365-50. Salos, 1.750 tons (all carries). Morning.—Cash wire bars, 2339-30-20-00; three months, 2830-36-70.00. Settlement, 2840, Salos, 10,400 tons. mainly carries). Cash cathodes, 2825-28-50. three months, 2837-30-36-00.00. Settlement, 2828-50. Salos, 1,075 tons (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, 2825-28-50. three months, 2837-30-36-00. Settlement, 2828-50. Salos, 1,075 tons (mainly carries). Silver,—Builton market (fixing levels).—Spot, 262,40p a tray concert inited States cents equivalent, 4301; intree months, 270-30p (456-40); six months, 276-30p (456-40); six months, 276-70, London Metal Exchange.—Alternoon =Cash, 261-7-61-9p; three months, 270-30-70.4g; seven months, 270-30p (456-40); three months, 270-70, Sales, 700-70, S influenced lead and zinc and silver

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Goldring receiver

Hi-fi specialist Goldring has invited its bankers to appoint a receiver and manager. If possible he will salvage some of the business.

The board made their decision after a meeting on February 2 to discuss finances. In November pre-tax losses of £125,000 against £76,000 were reported for the six months to June 30. At that time. measures to cut costs were said to be working.

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Foreign Exchange

Sterling drifted slightly easier towards the close of trading, on the foreign exchanges yesterday, ending 28 points lower against the dollar, at \$1.7135. Dealers reported light selling of pounds from the United States, with the Bank of England supporting the currency only spasmodically in the late after-

noon. A further reduction in interest rates after the 1 point cut in the minimum lending rate tended to weaken sterling, although the Bank of England indicated it wishes to stabilize rates at present levels for the time being, dealers added.

They reported nervousness developing around sterling dur-ing current discussions on future United Kingdom pay policy but said this is not yet a dominant factor. Gold rose 75 cents an ounce,

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Analysis attributed selling in part to continuing concern about plant closings and widespread lay-offs caused by a natural gas shortage in a severe winter AP-Dow Jones.

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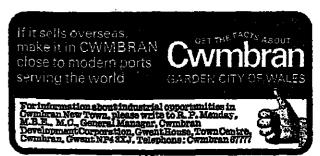


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Stock Exchange Prices

All square at the close



By Our Industrial Editor sought to exercise any oversight of investment policy to reserve and Auditor General, has questing the right to nominate additional and Auditor General, has questioned the Department of Trans-port about its views "on the The C wisdom and propriety" of the investment of British Reilways to intervene. It saw objections in principle in seeking powers Board pension funds in antiques and works of art.

The board has replied that this was one aspect of a policy of members. The department to substitute its judgments for those of the trustees and the investment committees. The harmonic of the trustees was advised that the intention of the trustees was to be investment committees. works of art as long-term investments, the merits of which could therefore be fully established only in the indeterminate

Professional advisers to the trustees had certified that the current value of such purchases was, in their opinion, no less than the aggregate of the cost

Sir Douglas, in his latest report on the Appropriation Accounts, released vesterday, also reveals that he has questioned the Government on the almost unfettered powers of investment when there was a substantial commitment of parhamentary allocations to meet the funds' buge liabilities. He has inquired whether the Department of Transport had

Businesses

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said last night.

By Ronald Emler Small businesses have been

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No access to NEB books

In another statement Sir Douglas said he would not have direct access to the books and records of the National Enter-prise Board, which has statutory authority to enter into financial obligations up to a maximum of

The Government has replied

that it had no statutory power

by those directly responsible

Government said, must pri-marily be safeguarded by the

dury of trustees to act in the best interests of their funds in

the light of professional advice.

The Exchequer interest, the

Treasury minute issued in mid-November that the Government recognized the need for proper parliamentary scrutiny and control of public funds but saw no reason to expect the Public Accounts Committee to experience any difficulties in exer-

cising its responsibilities. which could not be exercised in respect of voted funds in In Volume Two of his report on the Appropriation Accounts, Sir Douglas says that the stateowned NEB will have a large measure of operational and commercial freedom within a framework of arrangements for accountability to ministers and for them, might not be served. to Parliament.

He points out that the Secretary of State for Industry gives consents for important investment decisions, but adds: "No parliamentary approval is required for such major transactions, however, and, in general, Parliament's prior control of the NEB's operations is limited to approval of the Estimates which provide for advances of public dividend capital."

Sir Douglas reviews government powers to provide funds under the Industry Act to the NEB, for which the board will account separately for activities involving ministerial direction. He comments: "I shall have £1,000m. my normal access to the books
This statement follows a and records of the department

them to seek further information as necessary from the board; I shall not, however, have direct access to the board's books and records."

In a report last year the allparty Public Accounts Committee trusted that future arrangements for scrutinizing NEB should not be restricted.

In yesterday's report, Sir Douglas makes a number of points. He says that the NEB's capital structure has not yet been agreed, though it was established in November, 1975, and no determinations of the board's various financial duties had yet been made as required by statute (though these were under discussion).

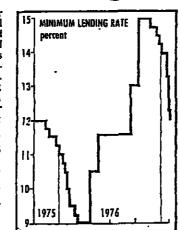
He reveals that the Government is at present considering where future financial support for British Leyland, the NEB's biggest subsidiary, should be channelled wholly through the NEB as opposed to the present mixture of Industry Act cash and NEB funds.

Although Sir Douglas does not say so, this would have the effect of placing the Public Accounts Committee at arm's length from British Leyland and preserving the barriers to direct access to the NEB.

Fed lowers US money supply growth range

Washington, Feb 3.—Dr Arthur Burns, the Federal Reserve Board chairman, said the open-market committee had slow to take advantage of the reduced the lower boundaries Department of Industry's scheme to finance collaboration between them. Mr Robert Cryer, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Industry, said last night for the M2 and M3 money supplies by half a percentage point. He told the House banking committee the new growth range for M2 is to 10 per cent and 8.5 to 11.5 per cent Speaking to the Tyne and Wear Small Businesses Club. for M3. For the basic M1 money supply Dr Burns said he said that the main obstacle (the previous range of 4.5 to 6.5 was inability to meet criteria, for assistance, rather than lack per cent had been retained. Over the course of last year

He urged companies to sub- M1 rose 5.4 per cent, very close mit proposals without delay, to the 5.6 per cent average of Under the scheme a total of the preceding 10 years. How-£100,000 is available to support ever M2 increased 10.9 per cent feasibility studies in the two years ending March next year. Mr Cryer also hinted that the small business advisory compared with a 10-year average of 8.3 per cent and M3 ex-panded by 12.8 per cent against the previous decade annual inservice operating in the West crease of 8.8 per cent, he said. Country would be extended throughout England if the He expected growth rates of the broadest money aggregates



Dr Burns said some banks and thrift institutions which had taken in more funds than they could easily invest have recently taken steps to slow deposit inflows

Cooperation on exchange rates urged

From Alan McGregor

More pragmatic management of floating currencies was advocated today by Mr Fritz Leutwiler, president of the Swiss National Bank, in an address to the European management forum symposium

at Davos.

While he saw no possibility of returning to fixed rates in the foreseeable future, he underlined the importance of closer cooperation between cen-tral banks to maintain exchange fluctuations within limits permitting desirable economic growth.

This cooperation. Mr Leut-wiler said, was the only way to avoid monetary chaos. He also urged fuller coordination between the oil producers and the industrialized states, so that more funds could be placed in the weaker currency countries

Orange farmers count weather losses and find them less than feared

How Florida's agriculture escaped disaster

From Frank Vogl. Miami. Feb 3

Florida has been declared " a disaster area" by the Govern-ment because of the damage done to its huge agricultural industry by recent cold weather.

pilot scheme was a success.

But experts in the state suggest that the damage is not nearly as great as first public reports suggested. Indeed there are indications that the longterm inflationary impact of the cold spell is likely to be mini-

a large number of temporary employees who have been laid off in the southern farming region, but many of these are likely to find employment before

Florida produces half the world's grapefruit and 29 per cent of its oranges on 850,000 grapefruit crop would merely mean that the state had about the state had about

and Asia.

Florida State Citrus Commis-sion asserted in Lakeland. A first official estimate of the citrus crop damage will be re-leased on February 9. The Processing of oranges into frozen concentrate form is now commission at first ordered an embargo on fresh fruit shipments to give time for deter-mining the impact of the freeze on the quality of the produce, this embargo is being

lifted today. Industry experts are estimat-ing that the citrus crop losses could total 20 to 40 per cent of output. However, before However, before

an annual sales turnover in year as last year's record excess of \$1,300m and formid-volume.

The key mistake in many of

the reports so far, apparently, We do not have a crisis, is that they have suggested Mr Arthur Darling of the serious damage to the citrus trees. In fact, by and large, there has been little tree devas-tation, Mr Darling says.

moving ahead at a frantic pace

have jumped sharply by 20 to per cent, largely on the basis of the disaster reports. Industry experts are now be-coming hesitant, in view of the clearer and less dramatic picture now emerging, about whether the higher prices will

The farmers maintain that before the freeze they were April."

operating at a loss as a result of the low prices they were getting.
The sizable Florida vegetable

crops appear to have been more seriously hit by the freezing weather. "It has practically put us out of the vegetable market", Mr John Stiles, marketing director of Florida's department of agriculture, said in Tallahassee.

before a hot spell develops that could ruin fruit that was hit by the cold weather.

Wholesale prices of oranges ters that an overabundance of Florida vegetables will be available to the spring. able in the spring.

Vegetable prices may soften as a result, unless the farmers can export more, Mr Stiles

suggested.

He declared: "The European market is a good fresh vegetable market for us., we are counting on heavy sales to west ern Europe in late March and

Million German workers granted 6.9 pc increase

Düsseldorf, Feb 3.-The was federation of engineering between employers and union employers' associations in North Rhine-Westphalia has approved with the smallest possible majority the 6.9 per possible majority the for the industry.

Apart from the North Philos cent 1977 wage rise for the state's one million metal indus-

try workers.
This is the first agreement reached in this year's metal industry wage round. Yesterday the IC Metall cent wage rises, although these union agreed the North Rhinestill have to be ratified by westphalia settlement which unions and employers.

provisionally reached

Apart from the North Rhine-Westphalia workers, negotiators representing a further 2.3 million workers in other tariff regions have reached provi-sional agreements on 6.9 per

Leyland raises prices by 6.5pc

day by an average of 6.5 per Last week Ford prices rose by cent.

Last week Ford prices rose by 6.8 per cent

British Leyland announced yesterday that the price of its cars will go up from next Mon-

Williams & Glyn's

announce that with effect from Friday, February 4th 1977 the following rates will apply

Base rate...... $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ p.a. Deposit rate.... 9% p.a. Savings account 9% p.a.

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Business appointments

Joint heads named for Marshall group board

Mr J. G. Elliott and Mr D. G. Scotchbrook have been made joint managing directors of M. W. As a result of the Reed Inter-

national changes announced yes-terday, Mr C. H. Behrens, a director of Reed Group, is appointed managing director of Reed International's packaging division in succession to Mr Malcolm Thomas. Mr E. F. Hillan, formerly managing director, becomes chairman and chief executive of Reed Corrugated Cases. Mr R. Chalk is made managing director of Spicers in succession to Mr Behrens. Mr J. J. Benn, formerly managing director, is appointed chairman and chief executive of Reed Paper & Board (UK). Mr E. Doorbar, formerly managing director, becomes chair-man and chief executive of Spicer-Cowan.

Spicer-Cowan.

Mr W. C. Dale, formerly deputy chairman, is made chairman and chief executive of Reed Transport.

Mr A. W. Western, formerly managing director, becomes chairman and chief executive of Reed Engineering & Development Services. Mr C. B. Warmington is to be deputy chairman of the paper division. The following are to join the board of Reed Group:

Mr J. J. Benn, Mr E. F. Hillan, Mr J. C. Maybank, Mr A. van Kuyk and Mr Warmington.

Mr Graham Hearne has joined

Mr Graham Hearne has joined the main board of Northern Foods

he main board of Northern roos, is a non-executive director.

Mr C. J. E. Hosegood has been appointed managing director of oriths Industries aviation divi-Mr J. A. Yanes has been elected

to the boards of Esso Europe Inc and Esso Africa Inc. Mr Raymond Miquel becomes a non-executive director of Dawson International from April 1. Mr Edgar Turner has been made deputy chairman of T. Cowie in succession to Mr James Barber,

who has retired. Mr H. B. Marshall has been elected deputy chairman of Hill Samuel Life Assurance. Mr S. W. Pressman, general manager, administration, has joined the board.

Mr Leo Russell, chairman and director-general of the Cement and Concrete Association, is to be succeeded as director-general by Dr R. E. Rowe from April 1. Mr Russell will continue as chairman of the C&CA council.



Dr R. E. Rowe (left) appointed director-general of the Cement and Concrete Association; Sir George Leitch, who has become non-executive director of Mackintosh International

Sir George Leitch has been appointed a non-executive director of Mackintosh International and

of Mackintoen International and Mackintoen Consuitants.

Sir George Ogden has joined the board of managing trustees of Municipal Mutual Insurance.

Mr Tito Nardecchia becomes the new deputy chairman of Northampton Development Corporation in place of Lord Hirshfield, who retired in September. Mr Gordon Roberts and Mr David Walmsley join the board.

Mr John Utz vice chairman

Mr John Utz, vice-chairman and managing director, and Mr Jack Pigram, financial director, of Wormald International, have been elected to the board of Mather & Mr Derek Kimber is to go on the

Mr Derek Kimber is to go on the board of Equity Capital for Industry. This brings the number of directors to 14.

Mr David R. Brooks, group managing director of WGI, has become deputy chairman. Mr Alan G. Pendleton, chief executive, mechanical and process engineering division of WGI has been made a director and deputy group managing director of WGI.

Mr R. M. Denny, a director of Rediffusion, has been appointed chairman of the Council of The Cable Television Association of Great Britain for the year from January 25. He succeeds Mr D. L. Nichol, a director of British Relay, who remains a member of the who remains a member of the council of the Association. Mr Denny is succeeded as deputy chairman by Mr D. W. Heightman, technical director of Thorn Television Rentals.

Mr Dundas Bednall is made a director of C. E. Planning.
Mr Norman O'Hara has been made managing director. made managing director Kartret Special Panels.

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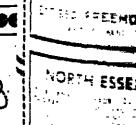
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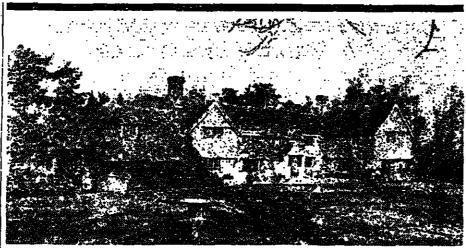
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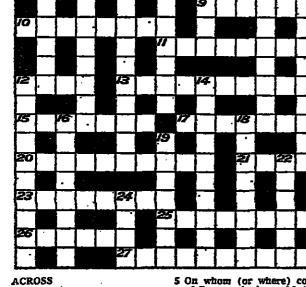
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